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1953

Lots of luck
to a nice and swell
senior! Willard

Woody,
Best of luck to a
boy that deserves it.
I enjoyed having
you in school.
Mick
TWT

Best of luck and it
been a pleasure
knowing you.

West 10 a Glen

Best of luck always
to a swell boy. It's
been nice knowing you
all through school. Hope
this won't be the last we
see of each other. Good luck
to you & Ann. You make
cute couple. Daphne Riley

Best of luck
to a very smart
boy please show
the class your
work you can
do it. I hope
you can
do it.

It's really a pleasure
to know you! Best of
luck in everything! You
deserve it!

Don Shirley Burnett

Best of Luck
always, it has
been real fun
have fun and take
care of yourself
Bill English

I'll have you
in war!
I've been here
since I was three
years old.
I'm really
happy.
I've been here
since I was three
years old.

Edwards

Wilson Pitt
315 Rose St.

THROUGH THE EYES

Wilson,
I wish you
the best of
luck in the coming
year. Sugg
(Wilson Pitt)

Good luck &
happy
Ball
Kiddens



Wilson,
It's been well knowing
you the past few years,
wish you lots of luck.
C. B. T. Park

congratulations as you
graduate and best
wishes always,
Kate Parks Kitchen

OF THE CAMERA

Lots of
 luck always
 in a very nice
 Remember me
 Judy Kalle

Spain

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Best
 ever
 know

Best of luck always
 to a swell boy. It's
 been nice knowing you
 all through school. Hope
 this won't be the last we
 see of each other. Good luck
 also to your Ann. you make
 a cute couple. Daphne Riley

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Best
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Best of luck
 to a very smart
 boy whose I saw my
 the last year I was together
 with D. Wade
 J.W.T.

Best of Luck
 always, it has
 been real fun when
 have fun and take
 care of yourself
 Bill English

It's really a pleasure
 to know you! Best of
 luck in everything! Don't
 deserve it!
 together Shilky Ben

from

this

week

Thank
 you

is been
 and
 together

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Accepts annual dedication



Bob cracks a witty one



Receives God and Country Award



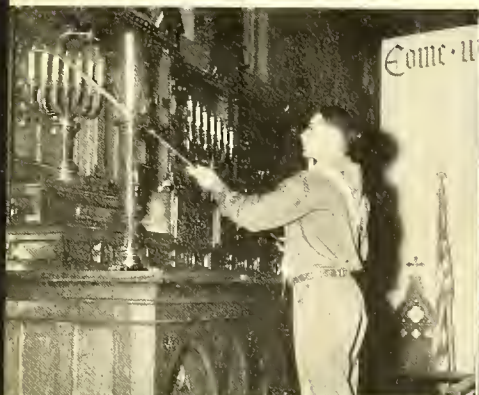
"Long live the King"



Little sister and "man's best friend"

Dedication

Though encased in an iron lung, he fought and struggled with the same courage and perseverance that he has shown all through his life in service to his fellowman, his country and his God. He was an above average boy in all phases of activity. He excelled in sports and was slated to be on the starting football line up. He was a diligent worker for his church and a leader in his scout work. He was outstanding in his school work and popular with his school mates. Today he is out of his iron lung and free from all danger, but he still shows the fighting spirit that we all admire and respect. Because he is first and foremost in our hearts, we, the staff of the 1953 Hi-Noc-Ar, do humbly dedicate this, our annual, to our friend, George Newby.



George as an acolyte



"Your shoes are showing"



Standing in F. D. R.'s chair



To George Newby III

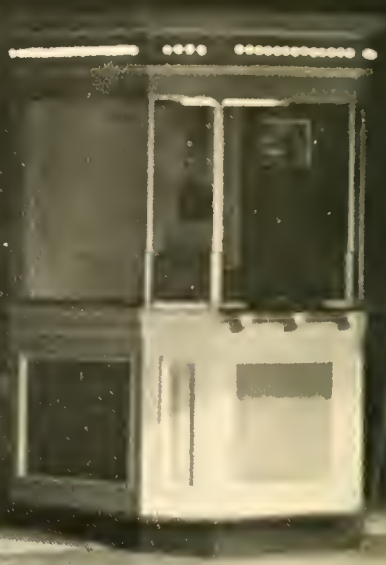
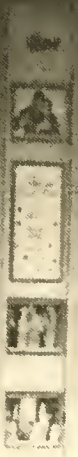
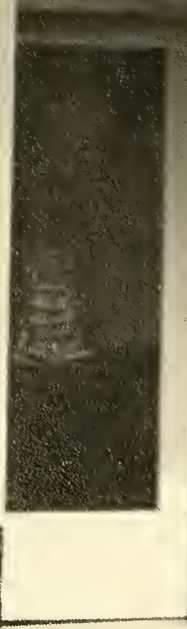

*"Sustain me in that hour with thy hand,
And help me, when I cease to soar, to stand.
Make me thy athlete, even on my bed,
Thy girded runner on the course be sped."*

—Author unknown.

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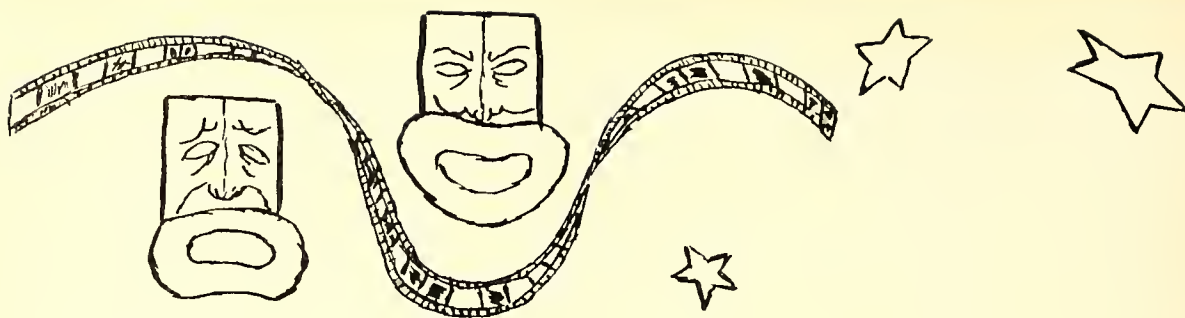


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Our Theme

Due to the ever increasing popularity of the motion picture industry, we have chosen this subject for the theme of our 1953 Hi-Noc-Ar. We believe that the movies tend to widen our interests, broaden our knowledge and stir our emotions. They enable us to travel the world over, thereby bringing the people of the world closer together and creating better understanding and world fellowship. They make us laugh, and they make us cry—or they make us feel warm and good inside by letting us become better acquainted with the trials and tribulations of our own neighbors. The movies stimulate our interests in the cultural field and fill us with historical facts and legends. They give us a visible insight to the news and are truly the eyes and ears of the world.

This annual attempts to give you a true picture of the events and happenings of our beloved R.M.H.S.



Sonny and Buck get a thrill.



Johnny Mack shows Tommy how.

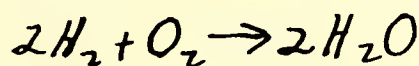


Stars contribute to Penn's cause.

Through the Eyes and Ears of the World⁹⁹

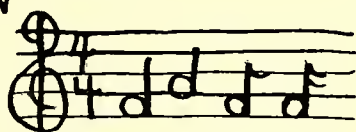
Uses of nouns:

- (1) subject
- (2) object



$$2x + 3y = ?$$
$$5y + 2x = ?$$

Comment-Allez-vous?
Amo te!



Parts of Body:
(a) bones
(b) blood vessels
(c) ligaments

Washington
Adams
Jefferson
Lincoln



All Gaul is
divided into
three parts.

They see all!
They hear all!
They know all?

FACULTY



MR. D. S. JOHNSON, *Superintendent*
B.A., M.A., Duke University



MR. C. M. EDSON, *Principal*
B.A., M.A., University of N. C.



Pearsall always knows.



Coach Adkins fixing his pads.



Hope this doesn't blow up, Mr. Privott!



Mrs. Bowden — "Practice makes perfect."



Mr. Parry—"Let's try it once more."



Mrs. Gorham correcting themes.



The "Tennessee Waltz"
—Mr. and Mrs. Lundy.



"Time out"—Miss Grant.



The Hostess of "Club Zero"—Miss Craighill.



Thespians at work—Mrs. Kramer.



The world at her fingertips—Mrs. Speight.



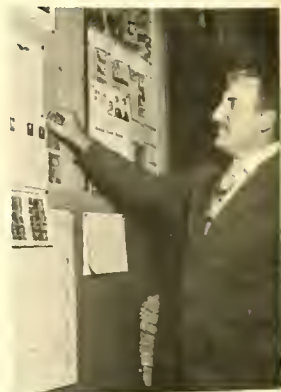
Can't you wait until lunch, Miss Riddle?



Mrs. Robbins hard at work.



The industrialist — Mr. Adkins.



It looks interesting, Mr. Cleetwood.



Miss "MURK" — "Our Miss Brooks" of R.M.-H.S.

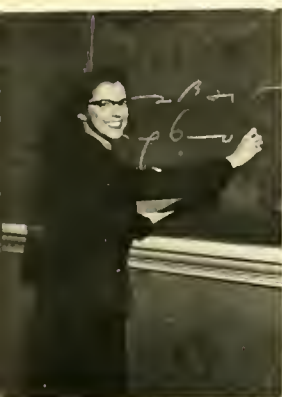
It's been a distinct pleasure having you in class - good luck college - miss "MURK"!



Miss Kitchin advises about colleges.



Miss Vause always keeps her room neat.



Mrs. Landis bubbling over as usual.



Temper! Temper! Mrs. Cuthrell.



Miss Johnson reliving that exciting trip.



"Viewing the world, Mr. Gorham?"

*Wilson, you're O.K.
Thanks for your fine spirit.
"m. m. m."*

*Best wishes
W. Bond*



Early return for a graduate—Mr. Fountain.



Our distinguished Scotch gentleman — Mr. McGregor.



Miss Mills studying North Carolina.



"That's good," says Miss Bond.



The girls in the superintendent's office.



Mrs. Young and the Blackbird.



Mrs. Carr and the money. "That's right, Bo-Bo," says Miss Turnage.



Our artist—Miss Boice.



Miss Parker reviewing the subject.

*Many good wishes!
P. Parker*



Mrs. Van Buskirk studying the Biology projects.



"This is good," says Mr. Chapman.

Our



Cast

Freshman



Sophomore



Junior



Senior

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

FALL TERM



PRESIDENT
JIMMY DAUGHTRIDGE



VICE-PRESIDENT
CLARANDA MANGUM



SECRETARY
MARY A. BRASWELL



TREASURER
BEN WILLIAMS

SPRING TERM



PRESIDENT
BEN WILLIAMS



VICE-PRESIDENT
GLENN DAUGHTRIDGE



SECRETARY
BETTY A. HEDGPETH



TREASURER
WILSON PITT

SALLY ADAMS

Tri-Hi-Y, Radio Broadcasting Club, Dramatics Club, Edsonians, Homeroom Offices, Service Club, Student Organization, Social Committee, Candidate for Miss Print Contest, Jr.-Sr. Decorating Committee, Good Sports Club.



BILLY ADAMS

Baseball, Traffic Committee, Gun Club, Jr.-Sr. Food Committee, Member of Hot Stove League.

PEGGY ALEXANDER

Service Club, Choir, Jr.-Sr. Figure Committee, Homeroom Offices, Tri-Hi-Y, Student Organization Rep., G.A.A.



MARY AVERA

Jr.-Sr. Beauty Court, Tri-Hi-Y, Musettes, Homeroom Offices, Choir, G.A.A.

FAYE BARKLEY

Choir, Homeroom Offices, Dramatics Club, Tri-Hi-Y.



JIM BARKSDALE

Homeroom Offices, Card Tricks Committee, Student Organization, Representative, Hi-Y Offices, Blackbird Clown, Edsonians, Co-Chairman Program Committee for Jr.-Sr., Cheerleader, Black Masquers, Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Fire Drill Committee, Traffic Committee.

ALICE BARNES

Editor of Hi-Noc-Ar, Homeroom Offices, Good Sports Club, Co-Chairman of Food Committee for Jr.-Sr., President of Sophomore Class, Elections Committee, Senior Superlative, State and District Honors in Piano, National Honor Society, Student Government Cabinet, Alternate Delegate to Girls' State, Junior Music Club Offices, Football Sponsor, Tri-Hi-Y, Commencement Marshal, Concession Stand Chairman.

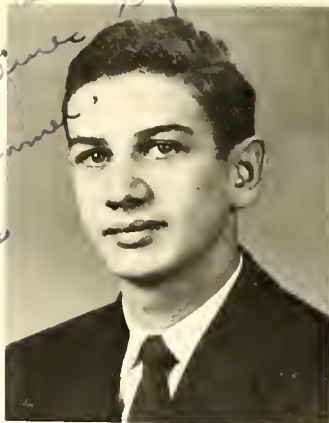


JOYCE BARNES

F.H.A., Dramatics Club, Intramurals.

RUSSELL BARTHOLOMEW

Traffic Committee, Football,
Batos, Homeroom Offices,
Gun Club, H-Y, Choir,
Student Government Repre-
sentative, Scouts.



SYLVIA BEST

Homeroom Offices, Edsonians,
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JIMMY BISHOP

Hi-Y, Eagle Scout, Traffic Committee, Fire Drill Committee, Delegate to Hi-Y Convention.

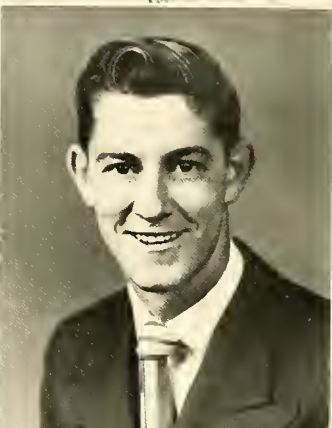
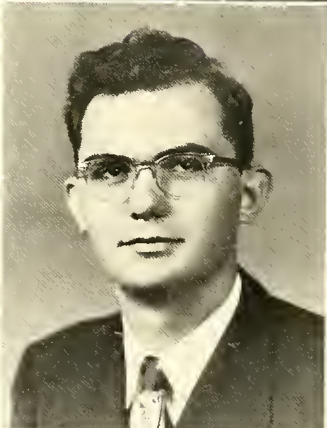


PHYLLIS BONE

Transfer Student from Nashville, Homeroom Offices, Food Committee for Jr.-Sr., F.H.A. Offices, Delegate to State F.H.A. Convention.

CHARLES BOONE

Varsity Football, Traffic Committee, Decoration Committee for Junior-Senior, Scout, Band.

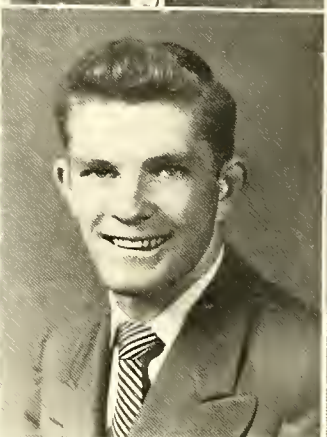


LOUIS BOOTH

Baseball Manager, Choir, Career Student, Red Cross, D.E. Club, Hi-Y.

EDWARD BRASWELL.

Varsity Football, Baseball, Basketball, Junior Class Vice President, Service Club, President of Bafos, Delegate to Boys' State, Homeroom Offices, Track Team, Junior-Senior Decorating Committee, Sportsman of the Week.



MARY ANN BRASWELL

Secretary of Service Club,
Secretary of Senior Class,
Tri-Hi-Y, Junior Music Club,
Chairman of Bulletin Board,
Student Government Representative,
Homeroom Offices,
Jr.-Sr. Decorating Committee.

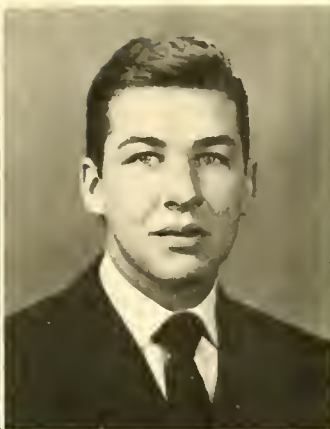
ALBERT BRINSON

Band, Freshman Dance Committee.



KEN BRINSON

Band, Boys' Chorus, Drill Club, Fire Drill Committee, Radio Broadcasters Club, Dramatics Club, Hi-Y Offices Edsonians, Black Masquers.



DONALD BRYAN

Parliamentarian of Student Organization, Treasurer of Service Club, Parliamentarian N.C. Student Council Congress, Senior Superlative, Exchange Club Boy of Month, Blackbird Staff, Jr.-Sr. Food Committee, Delegate to Boys' State, Traffic Committee, Social Committee, Hi-Y, Presidents Cabinet, Fire Drill Committee, Jr. Red Cross, Treasurer of Freshman Class, Homeroom Offices.



R. G. CAPPS

Baseball



VIRGINIA ANN CAPPS

Edsonians, Homeroom Offices, Art Club, F.H.A. Offices, Tri-Hi-Y, Football Sponsor.



EDWARD CARTEE

Band, Art Club, Gun Club, Photography Club, Woodshop.



MALLORY CHAMBLISS

J.V. Basketball, J.V. Football, Homeroom Offices.



RALPH CHASON

Band, Choir, Junior Music Club, Career Student Award, All-State Band.



Cafeteria Worker.



DONNA CLARK

National Honor Society, Marshal for Commencement, Black Masquers, Delegate to Honor Policy Conference, Edisonians, Christmas Play, Jr.-Sr. Figure Committee, Feature Editor of Blackbird, Student Organization Representative, Radio Broadcasting Club, Cafeteria Work, Homeroom Offices, Delegate to Civitan Conference, G.A.A., Tri-Hi-Y.

Tri-Hi-Y, Band, Secretary of Musettes, Homeroom Offices, Junior Red Cross, Blackbird Staff, Student Government Representative, Radio Broadcaster's Club, Creative Writing Club.



JUNE COCKRELL

Choir, D.E., Band.

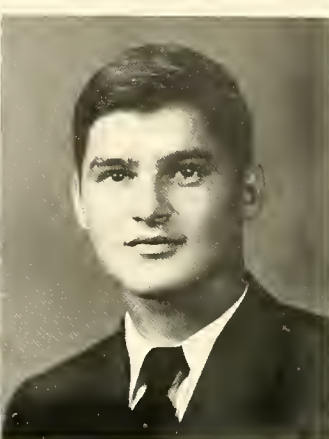
National Honor Society, Secretary to Miss Kitchin, F.H.A., Secretary of Junior Red Cross, Student World Federalist, Bible Club, Choir, Prayer Meeting Publicity Chairman, Jr.-Sr. Food Committee.



BARBARA JEAN COLEY

Social Committee, Radio
Broadcaster's Club, Jr.-Sr. In-
vitations and Favors Commit-
tee, Student Organization Rep-
resentative, Blackbird Staff,
Homeroom Offices, Prayer
Meeting Chairman.

Band, Choir, Hi-Y, Junior
Music Club, All-State Band,
Baseball, Captain of Band,
Homeroom Offices.



BOBBY CONWAY

GWEN COOPER

Tri-Hi-Y, Choir, Homeroom
Committees, Junior Choir.



BILLY COPPEDGE

Homeroom Offices, Band,
Hi-Y, Fire Drill Committee,
Traffic Committee, Student
Organization Representative.

SUZANNE COVINGTON

Transfer from Dallas, Texas,
Edsonians, Choir, Homeroom
Offices.



SYLVIA CROCKER

Tri-Hi-Y Offices, Service
Club Offices, Homeroom Of-
fices, Student Organization
Representative, Campus Sweet-
heart, Jr.-Sr. Beauty Court,
Musettes.

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Homeroom Offices.

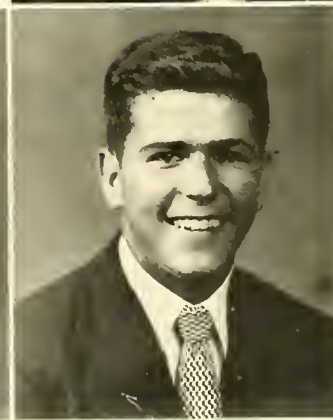


BOBBY DAUGHTRIDGE

Football, Hi-Y, Photography
Club, Edsonians, Homeroom
Offices.

GLENN DAUGHTRIDGE

Homeroom Offices, D.E.
Club, Bible Club, Band, Hi-
Y, Eagle Scout, Medical Es-
say Award Winner, First
Place in Candy Sales, Hand-
book Revision Committee,
Vice-President of Senior
Class.

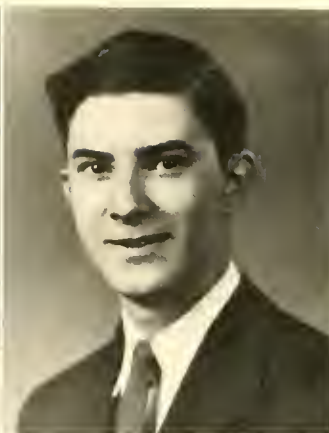


JIMMY DAUGHTRIDGE

President of Senior Class,
Circulation Manager of Hi-
Noc-Ar, Bafos, Varsity Foot-
ball, Varsity Basketball, Ten-
nis, Track, State Tennis
Tournament, Kiwanis Boy of
the Month, Homeroom Of-
fices, Traffic Committee,
Senior Superlative.

SUE DAUGHTRIDGE

Choir, Girls' Chorus, G.A.A.,
Tri-Hi-Y, Y-Teens, Dramatics
Club, F.H.A.



ALTON DENNING

Choir, Homeroom Offices,
Radio Broadcaster's Club,
Dramatics Club.

MARY RUTH DIVINE

Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Student Or-
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sonians, Secretary of Sopho-
more Class, Homeroom Of-
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Decorating Committee.

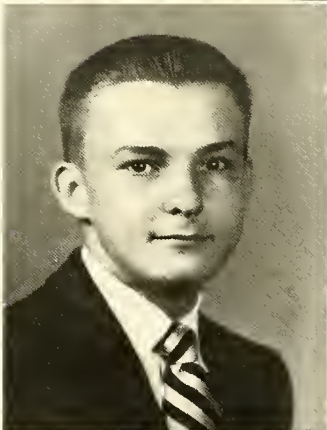


BARBARA DRAKE

F.H.A. Offices, Good Sports
Club, Tri-Hi-Y, Delegate to
Tri-Hi-Y Convention, Choir,
Student Organization Repre-
sentative, Homeroom Offices,
Red Cross.

JOHN DRAKE

Varsity Football, Bafos, Elec-
tions Committee, Band, Hi-Y
Offices, Homeroom Offices,
Edsonians, Gun Club, Dra-
matics Club.

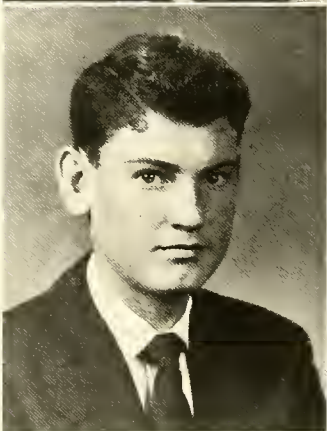


NANCY EASON

Choir, D.E., Delegate to D.E.
Convention, Girls' Chorus,
Homeroom Offices, Y-Teens.

RICHARD EDMONDSON

Dramatics Club, Athletics
Club, Intramurals, Choir.



DONALD EDWARDS

Eagle Scout, Senior Superla-
tive, National Honor Society,
Exchange Club Boy of Month,
Bafos, Chairman of Traffic
Committee; Vice-President of
Service Club, Varsity Basket-
ball, Athlete of the Week,
Fire Drill Committee, Ed-
sonians, President's Cabinet,
Program Committee for Jr.-
Sr., Student Organization
Representative, Homeroom
Offices.

JANE EDWARDS

Red Cross, Homeroom Offices, Choir, Assistant Advertising Manager for Blackbird, Business Manager for Blackbird, Majorette, Radio Broadcaster's Club, Student Organization Representative, Publicity Committee of Student Organization, Edsonians.



KENNETH EDWARDS

Student Government Representative, D.E., Choir, Dramatics, Gun Club.



*Best of Luck
to a swell
guy and a
good sport.
Ken. E.*

BOBBY EGGLESTON

Transfer from Reidsville, N. C., Gun Club, Band, Red Cross Club.



DORIS ELLIS

Student Organization Representative, Tri-Hi-Y, Football Sponsor, Majorette, Choir, Good Sports Club, Mixers Club, Junior Choir, Homeroom Offices.



BILL ENGLISH

Band, Choir, J.V. Football, Homeroom Offices, D.E. Club.

Bill



MACK ENGLISH



BETSY EVANS

Cut-A-Rug Club, Bible Club Offices, F.H.A.



MARY EVELAND

F.H.A. Offices, Cut-A-Rug Club, Y-Teens.

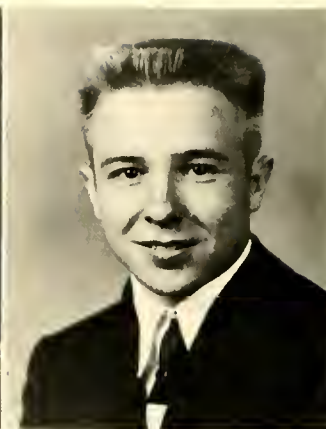


CAROL EZZELL

Tri-Hi-Y, Homeroom Committees, Edsonians, F.H.A., Dramatics Club, Choir, Speech.

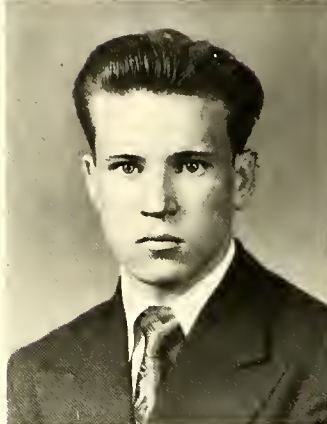


JERRY EZZELL



ALBERT FARMER

Choir, Art, Intramurals, Baseball, Hot Stove League.



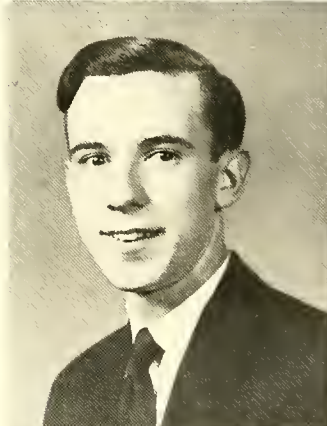
GEORGE FARMER

Hi-Y Offices, Radio Broadcasters Club, Chairman of Elections Committee, Traffic Committee, Varsity Football, Decorations Committee for Jr.-Sr., Band, Musettes, Class Offices, Social Committee.



LEWIS FAULKNER

Eagle Scout, Homeroom Offices, Commencement Marshal, Musettes, Edsonians, Art Club, Chairman of Candy Sales.



LA VERNE FLEMING

Transfer from Enfield, Tri-Hi-Y Offices, Black Masquers Homeroom Offices, Delegate to Tri-Hi-Y Convention, Delegate to Girls' State, Edsonians, Choir, Jr.-Sr. Decorations Committee, Radio Broadcasters Club, Representative in American Legion National Oratorical Contest.



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Advertising Manager of Hi-Noc-Ar, Student Organization, Publicity Committee Chairman, Delegate to E.D.-N.C.S.C.C., Co-Chairman of Music and Figure of Jr.-Sr., Junior Music Club, Edsonians, Choir, Social Committee for Student Organization, Candidate for Miss Print Contest, Jr.-Sr. Beauty Court, Cheerleader, Football Sponsor, Tri-Hi-Y Offices, Homeroom Offices, Senior Sub-Deb Advisor.



BARBARA FUTCH

Homeroom Offices, Tri-Hi-Y Offices, Head Majorette, Invitations Committee for Jr.-Sr., Edsonians, Contestant for Miss Print, Jr. Choir.



*Here's wishing you
lots of luck to a
swell boy. I certainly
have had fun with
you in band. Best
everything.
Barbara*

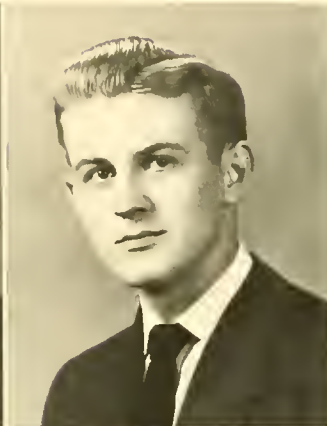
GRADY GARDNER

Eagle Scout, Edsonians, President Black Masquers, Homeroom Offices, Service Club, Radio Broadcasting Club, Dramatics Club, Traffic Committee, Fire Drill Committee, Delegate to Boys' State, Student Organization Representative.



JUNE GIDEONS

Homeroom Offices, Tri-Hi-Y, F.H.A., Dramatics Club, G.A.A.



JAMES GODWIN

Homeroom Offices, Edsonians, Black Masquer, Stage Manager, Gun Club, Dramatics Club.



WILLIAM GREEN

Varsity Baseball, Bafos, Choir, Hot Stove League, Homeroom Offices.

AILEEN GRIFFEN

Student Organization Representative, Choir, Tri-Hi-Y, Good Sports Club, F.H.A., Edsonian Officer, Homeroom Offices, Delegate to Tri-Hi-Y Convention.

ELVA GRIFFEN

Tri-Hi-Y, Choir, Homeroom Offices, Jr.-Sr. Beauty Court, House and Grounds Committee, Music Committee for Jr.-Sr., Football Sponsor, Candidate for "Miss Print," Dramatics Club.



EDWARD HALLFORD

Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Senior Superlative, Kiwanis Boy of the Month, Treasurer of Edsonians, Winner TB Essay Contest, National Honor Society, Commencement Marshal, Vice-President Radio Broadcaster Club, Chairman Invitation Committee for Jr.-Sr., Student Government Representative, News Editor for Blackbird, Assistant Circulation Manager of Blackbird, Treasurer of Sophomore Class.

So a fellow! Can't have a party before we get here. I wish you were going to state. But how to do it? Sub alone? Let's find out!

Seniors

GHAZI HAMAD

Service Club, Emily Post Etiquette Winner, Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices.

lots of luck and wishes always, you really deserve it. I really have enjoyed in being with you in physics, hope to see you lots in the coming years, lots of luck in everything.

ANDREW HARDESTY

Varsity Football, Football, Manager of Varsity Team, Homeroom Offices, Eagle Scout, Track, Photography Club, Dramatics Club, Drill Club, Winner in Candy Sales.

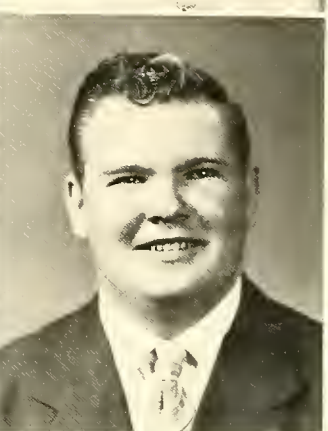
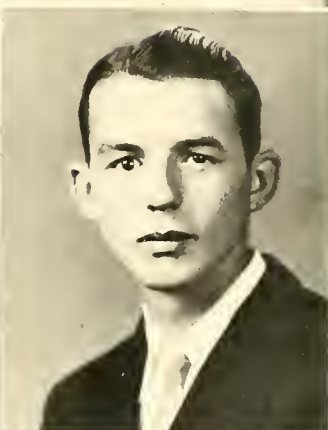
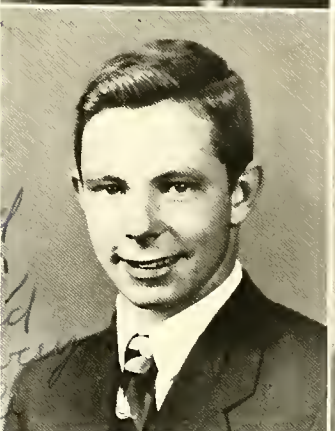
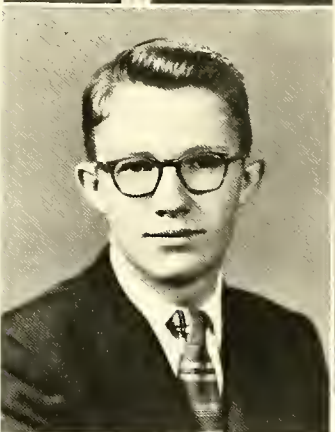
BILLY HARE

Parliamentarian for D.E. Club, Bible Club, Delegate to District D.E. Convention, Jr. Red Cross, Student Organization Representative, Typing Club, Classroom Offices.

RONALD HARRELL

Transfer from Petersburg, Va., Varsity Football, Varsity Basketball, Mixers Club.

Captain Pitt and fellow seniors, I hope to see you all in the future. I hope you all have a good time and I hope to see you all in the future.



of 1953

PEGGY HAMRIC

F.H.A., Tri-Hi-Y, G.A.A., Dramatics Club.

ROBERT HARDY

Student Organization Representative.

LOUISE HARPER

Mixers Club, F.H.A., Junior Choir.

Wishing you all the luck in the world. I think you are a swell guy.

SANFORD HARRIS

Classroom Offices, Homeroom Offices, V.E. Club, G.A. Club, Drill Club.

I hope to see you all in the future. I hope you all have a good time and I hope to see you all in the future.

Seniors

FRANK HAY

Gun Club, Student Organization Representative, Choir, Radio Broadcasters Club, Dramatics Club.



WILTON HOLLIDAY

Vice-President of National Honor Society, Co-Editor of Blackbird, Delegate to Boys' State, Kiwanis Boy of Month, Homeroom Offices, Choir, Hi-Y Offices, Student Organization Representative, Career Student Award.



BETH HURT

Musettes, Tri-Hi-Y, F.H.A. Club, Homeroom Offices.



JOYCE JENKINS

Homeroom Offices, Edsonians, Cut-A-Rug Club, Choir, Art Club.



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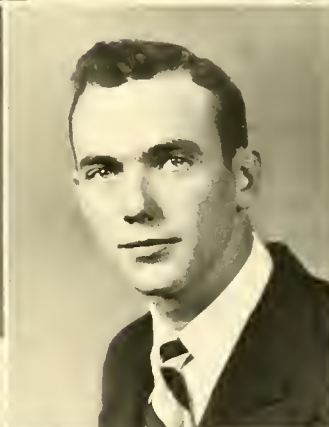
BETTY ANN HEDGEPETH

Tri-Hi-Y, Service Club, Choir, Jr. Music Club, Good Sports Club, Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices, Secretary of Sophomore Class, Secretary of Junior Class, Student Activity Office.



MARY HUNTER

Transfer Student.



WAYNE HUX

Vice-President of Junior Class, Varsity Football, Track, Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices, Figure Committee for Jr.-Sr., Bafos, Program Committee, Traffic Committee, Band, Hi-Y.



DORETHA JOYNER

Jr. Red Cross Offices, Choir, D.E. Club, Cafeteria Committee.

PAT KEEL

Homeroom Offices, Choir, Jr.
Red Cross, G.A.A., Home
Nursing Club.

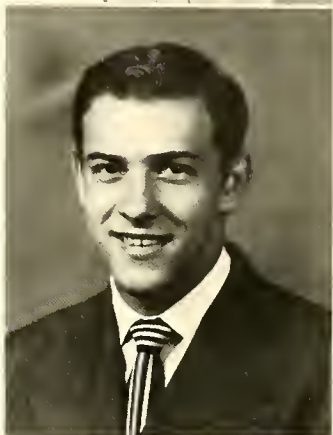


GENEVIEVE KEETER



T. M. KERMON

B Squad Football, Varsity
Football, Athlete of the Week,
Dramatics Club, J.C. Block-
ing Award.

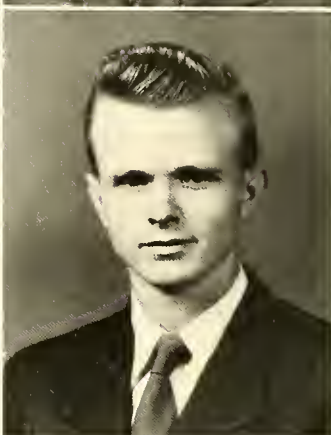
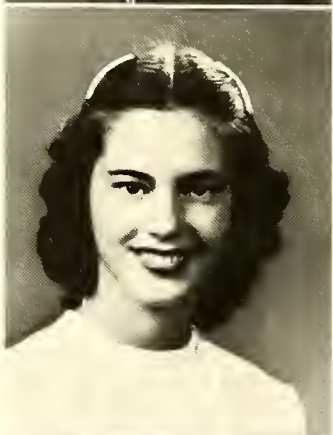


BILLY KILGO

Homeroom Offices, Typing
Club, Athletic Club, Photog-
raphy Club.

MARIAN KING

Homeroom Offices, Choir,
G.A.A., F.H.A. Club, Tri-
Hi-Y, Intramurals.



BILLY KNOWLES

Transfer from Sumter, S.C.,
Radio Broadcaster's Club.

SHIRLEY KNOWLES

Transfer from Wallace, F.H.A.
Club, Vice-President of Prayer
Meeting, G.A.A., D.E. Treas-
urer, Homeroom Offices.



ANN LANE

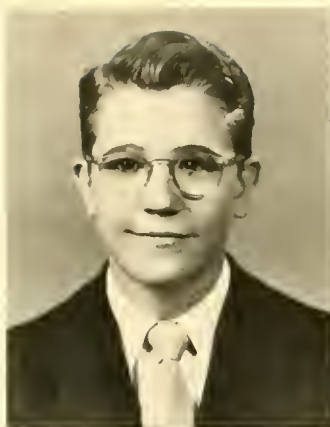
Art Club, Choir.

*Best of Luck to
an excellent student. Here's
hoping you have all the
success & happiness possible
just make us good grades
in college. Love from
Billy 12/18*

Seniors

of 1953

RAY LANGSTON
Distributive Education.



FRED LEE

Treasurer of Junior Class, Varsity Football, B Squad Basketball, Golf Team, Track Team, Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Bafos, Edsonians, Hi-Y, Traffic Committee, Student Organization, Jr.-Sr. Invitations and Favors Committee, Homeroom Offices.

TOMMY LEWIS
Edsonians, Dramatics Club, Choir.

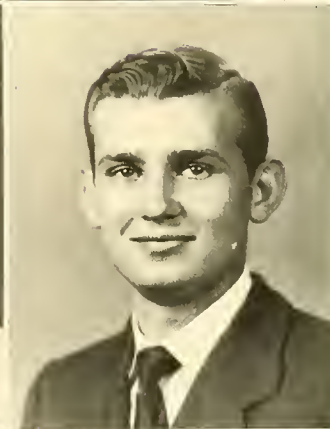


ROBERT LINDSEY

B Squad Football, Red Cross, Choir, Band.

JEANETTE LITTLE

Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices, F.H.A., Edsonians.



BOBBY LOCKAMY

Gun Club, Radio Broadcasting Club, Choir.

TOMMY LOONEY

President of Junior Class, Football, Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Bafos.



CLARANDA MANGUM

National Honor Society, Good Sports Club, Vice-President of Senior Class, Advertising Manager of Blackbird, Choir, Student Organization, Winner RMHS "I Speak For Democracy" Contest, Tri-Hi-Y, Pre-Nursing Club, Decorations Committee for Jr.-Sr.

Seniors

BERNARD MANNING

D.E. Club, Athletic Club,
Drill Club, Dramatics Club,
Classroom Offices, Speech
Choir.



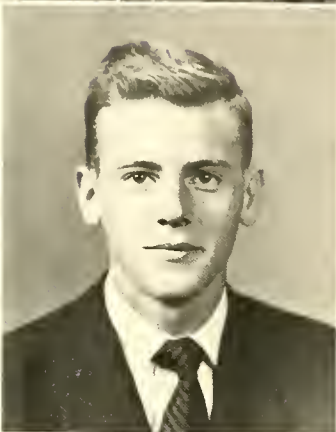
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RAY MATTHEWS

Distributive Education

GORDON McADAMS

Basketball

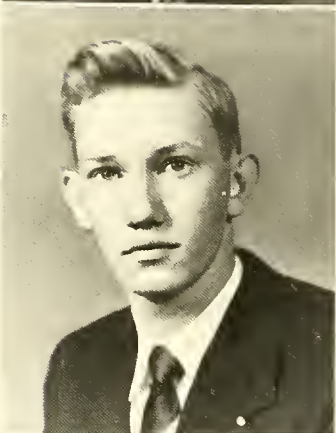


DICK McINTYRE

Eagle Scout, Band, Homeroom
Offices, Gun Club, Slide
Rule Club, Fire Drill Com-
mittee.

JIMMY MEHLE

Student Organization Repre-
sentative, School Clean-Up
Committee, Radio Broad-
casters Club, Gun Club.



MARCIA MILNE

Homeroom Offices, Jr. Music
Club, Literary Editor of Black-
bird, Red Cross, Tri-Hi-Y,
Art Club, Dramatics Club,
Decorations Committee for
Jr.-Sr., Edsonians.

EDWINA MOORE

President of Edsonians, G.A.A.
Offices, Good Sports Club,
National Honor Society, Sen-
ior Superlative, Delegate to
Girls' State, Chairman of
Decorations Committee for
Jr.-Sr., Homeroom Offices,
Bulletin Board Committee,
Senior Reporter for Black-
bird, Junior Choir Club.



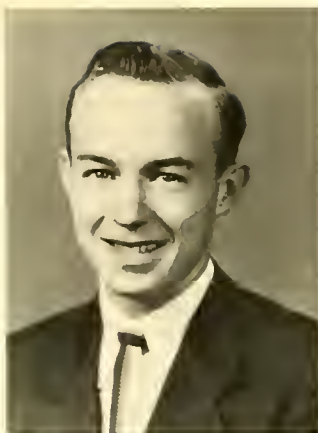
BILLY MOORE

Red Cross, Band, Choir,
Homeroom Offices, Basket-
ball, Radio Broadcasters Club,
Debating Club.

Seniors

DURWOOD MURRAY

D.E. Club Offices, Typing Club, Associate President of the Eastern District D.E. Clubs, Presiding Officer of State D.E. Convention, Eastern D.E. Convention Delegate.



DOUGLAS NEWTON

D.E. Club, Typing Club, Jr. Red Cross, Nominating Committee of D.E. Club Convention.



BILLY ODOM

Homeroom Offices, Student Organization Representative, Gun Club, Hi-Y.



NANCY PARRY

Secretary of National Honor Society, Good Sports Club, Edsonians, Band, Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices, Delegate to All-State Band Clinic, Jr. Music Club.



of 1953

CHRISTINE NELMS

Art Club, Bible Club, Edsonians, Cut-A-Rug Club.



SHIRLEY NORVILLE



MYRA PADGETT

Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Service Club, Edsonians, Jr.-Sr. Bids Committee, Choir, Musettes, Social Committee, Candidate for Jr.-Sr. Beauty Court, Football Sponsor, Tri-Hi-Y Offices, Homeroom Offices.



ALBERT PARKER

Varsity Baseball, Homeroom Offices, Edsonians, Treasurer of Black Masquers, State Manager, Choir, Gun Club, Hot Stove League.



Seniors

GEORGE PATSEAVOURAS

Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Treasurer Student Organization, President Junior Class, Treasurer Sophomore Class, Secretary Freshman Class, National Honor Society, Senior Superlative, Kiwanis Boy of Month, Civitan Citizenship Medal, Service Club, Chairman of Fire Drill Committee, Delegate to State N.H.S. Convention, V.E. Service Award, Commencement Marshal, President's Cabinet, Overall Chairman of Jr.-Sr., Varsity Basketball.



of 1953

GEORGE PEARCE

Homeroom Offices, Student Organization Representative, Traffic Committee, Eagle Scout, Sports Editor of Blackbird, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Baseball, Co-Captain of Baseball Team, Captain of Basketball Team, Bafos, Social Committee.

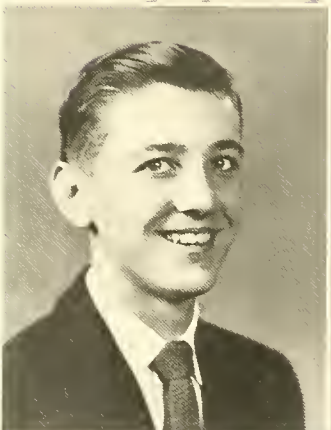


BERYL PETERS

Secretary of Jr. Class, Service Club, Good Sports Club, Jr.-Sr. Decoration Committee, Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, Blackbird Staff, National Honor Society, Homeroom Representative, Edsonians, Tri-Hi-Y, Radio Broadcasting.

WALTER PHILLIPS

Gun Club, Boy Scouts, Voc. Machine Shop.

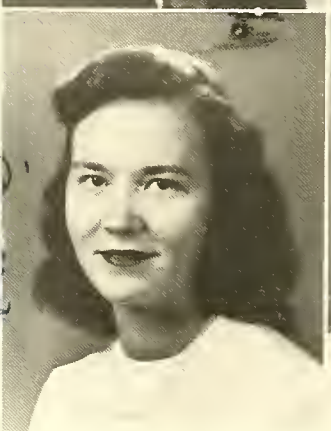


WILSON PITT

Band Officer, Hot Stove League, Jr. Music Club, Homeroom Offices, National Honor Society, Commencement Marshal, All-State Band, Jr.-Sr. Music Committee.

BETTY ANN POWELL

Choir, Vice-President of Sophomore Class, Elections Committee, Student Organization Representative, Dramatics Club, Homeroom Offices, Tri-Hi-Y Offices, Music Com. Jr.-Sr.



DOT PRICE

President of Jr. Red Cross, Choir, Teacher's Aide, Cafeteria Committee.

FANNIE PRIDGEN

Transfer from Nashville, Red Cross, Choir, Home Nursing Club.

*Dot Price
always a nice
boy.*

*Luck
Fannie Pridgen*

Seniors

of 1953

MAY PROCTOR

G.A.A., Dramatics Club, Edsonians.



CHARLES PUTNAM

Homeroom Offices, Radio Broadcasters Club, Social Committee, Tennis, Student Organization Representative, Band, Decoration Committee for Jr.-Sr., Hi-Y, Dramatics Club.

MARGARET REAVES

Jr. Red Cross, Homeroom Offices.



MARLAND REID

Homeroom Offices, Elections Committee, B Squad Basketball, Choir, Eagle Scout, Head Cheerleader, Blackbird Staff, Dramatics Club, Sponsor for Cheerleader Club.

SHIRLEY RICKS

Homeroom Offices, F.H.A., Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatics Club.



FRANCES RIDDLE

Homeroom Offices, Jr.-Sr. Decoration Committee, Social Committee, Black Masquers, Edsonians, Jr. Red Cross, Dramatics Club, Tri-Hi-Y, Choir, Mixers Club, Book Club.

DAPHNE RILEY

Choir, Homeroom Offices, Tri-Hi-Y, Cut-A-Rug Club, Class Offices.



SHEILA ROBBINS

Runner-Up for Miss Print, Chairman Elections Committee, Good Sports Club, Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, National Honor Society, Chairman Program Committee for Jr.-Sr., Cheerleader, Parliamentarian for Sr. Class, Student Organization Representative, Runner-Up for Campus Sweetheart, Football Sponsor, Edsonians, Tri-Hi-Y, Civitan Medal, Senior Superlative.

SHIRLEY ROBINSON

Tri-Hi-Y, Red Cross Treasurer, Student Organization Representative, Edsonian Dram. Organization.



GRACE ROSE

Cut-A-Rug Club, F.H.A., Junior Red Cross, Homeroom Offices, Secretary of F.H.A.



DOT RUSSELL

Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices, Red Cross Representative, Girls' Chorus, Tri-Hi-Y, Publicity Committee.



CLARENCE SCHMUDLACK

Transfer from Glenoak, Wisconsin; Navy Veteran.



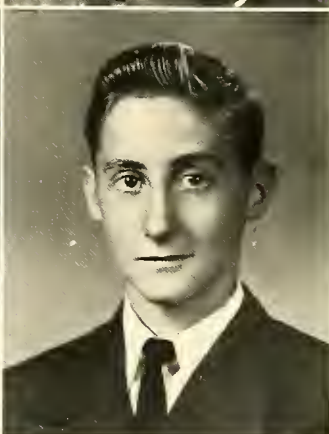
BARBARA SCRUGGS

Transfer from Wilson, Student Organization Representative, Band, Sec. Tri-Hi-Y, Edsonians, Radio Broadcasting Club, Program Committee for Jr.-Sr.



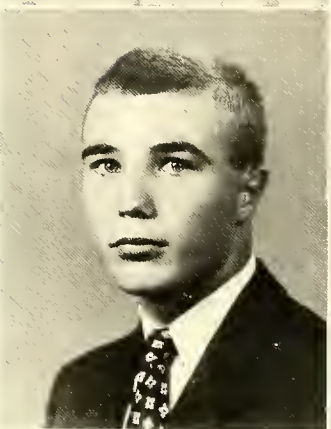
FRED SEXTON

Homeroom Offices, Service Club, Eagle Scout, Chorus, Band, Golf Team.



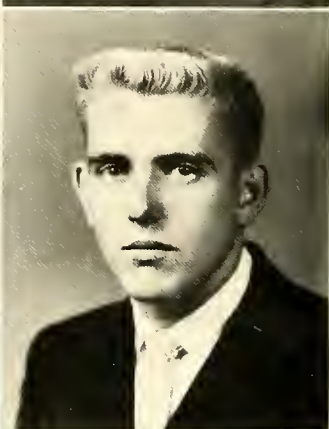
CLARENCE SKINNER

Homeroom Offices, Most Valuable Player Award for Football 1951, Varsity Football, Vice-President Bafos, Choir, Edsonians, Track.



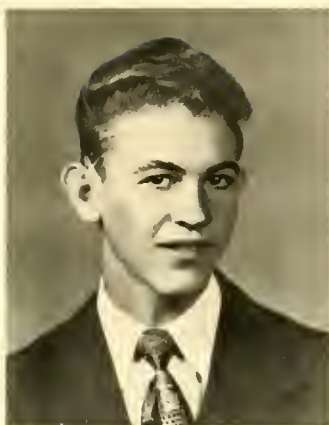
WAVERLY SMITH

Varsity Football, Co-Captain Football Team, Traffic Committee, Bafos, Varsity Track Team, Varsity Tennis Team, Dramatics Club, Homeroom Offices, Hi-Y, Eagle Scout, Sportsman Athlete of the Week.



DONALD SPAIN

Intramurals.



IRIS SPAIN

Transfer from Tampa, Fla.,
Mixers Club.

BETTY JEAN SPENCE

Student Organization Representative, Tri-Hi-Y, Homeroom Offices, Food Committee for Jr.-Sr., Choir, Edsonians, Jr. Choir.



BILLY SPENCER

Drill Club, Hi-Y, Choir,
Broadcaster's Club.

DAN STENCIL

Hi-Y President, Homeroom Offices, Edsonians, Dramatics Club, Blackbird Reporter, Drill Club.



BETTY STARLING

Red Cross, Choir, Homeroom Representative, Homeroom Offices, Chorus, Art Club.

SHIRLEY STONE

Student Organization Representative, Red Cross, Service Club, Homeroom Offices, Tri-Hi-Y, Contestant for Beauty Court, Edsonians.



PEGGY STRICKLAND

Transfer from Nashville, Jr.-Sr. Committee, Tri-Hi-Y, Homeroom Offices, Dramatics Club, F.H.A. Offices.

Seniors

S. E. STRICKLAND

Varsity Football, B Squad Football, Track Team, Athletic Club, Photography Club, Hi-Y, Edsonians, Homeroom Offices.



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HULDA SULLIVAN

DOROTHY TAYLOR

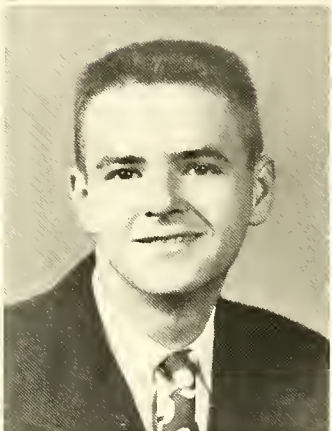


LA RUE TAYLOR

Transfer from Tarboro, Mixers Club, Student Organization Representative.

FRED THARRINGTON

Blackbird Clown, Basketball, Elections Committee, Homeroom Offices, Music Lovers Club, Choir.

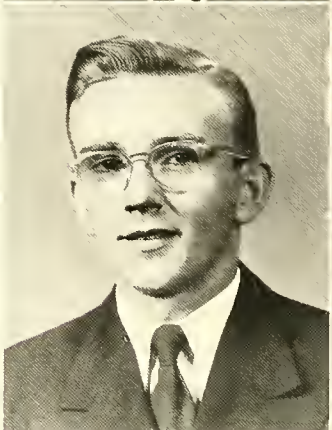


JOYCE THOMAS

Secretary Good Sports Club, Homeroom Offices, Bible Club, Head Majorette, Football Sponsor, Jr.-Sr. Beauty Contestant, Miss Print 50-51.

MARVIN THOMPSON

Homeroom Offices, Glee Club, D.E. Club, Choir.



MARIE TYLER

Good Sports Club, Homeroom Offices, Treasurer of Junior Class, Business Manager of Hi-Noc-Ar, Senior Superlative, Candidate for Miss Print Contest, Cheerleader, Runner-Up for Campus Sweetheart, Football Sponsor, Maid-of-Honor for May Court, Jr.-Sr. Figure Committee, Azeala Festival Attendant, Tri-Hi-Y, Choir.

Seniors

MARGIE WALKER

Homeroom Offices, G.A.A.,
Classroom Offices, Book Club.



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CLARENCE WALLACE

D.O., Wood Shop, Choir,
Gun Club.

JOE WHITEHEAD

Transfer from Fork Union
Military Academy, Choir,
Edsonians.

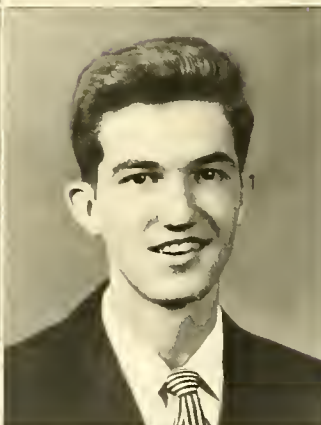


AGNES WIGGS

Transfer Student, D.E., F.H.A.,
Homeroom Offices, Red Cross
Officer, Decorations Com-
mittee for Jr.-Sr.

MARY WILKINSON

Homeroom Offices, G.A.A.,
Secretary of Sophomore Class,
President of Sophomore Class,
Delegate to E.D.N.C.S.C.C.,
Student Organization Com-
mittee Chairman, Senior Su-
perlative, Parliamentarian of
Jr. Class, Jr.-Sr. Committee
Chairman, Good Sports Club,
National Honor Society, Dele-
gate to N.C.S.C.C., Delegate
to State National Honor
Society Convention, Delegate
to Girls' State, Commence-
ment Marshal, President of
Student Body, Football Spon-
sor, D.A.R. Girl, Service
Club.



BEN WILLIAMS

Homeroom Offices, Student
Organization Representative,
Hi-Y, Jr.-Sr. Dance Commit-
tee, First Place Winner in
Speaking Contest, Treasurer
of Senior Class, Service Club,
Choir, Senior Superlative, Ex-
change Club's Boy of the
Month, Art Club.

FRANCES WILLIAMS

Homeroom Offices, F.H.A.,
G.A.A.



JANET WILLIAMS

Homeroom Offices, Decora-
tion Committee for Jr.-Sr.,
Choir, Student Activity Of-
fice, President of Musettes,
World Federalists, Good
Sports Club, Chairman Lost
and Found Committee, Chair-
man of Prayer Meetings.

*Best wishes
to a very
nice boy.
Best good
night's
16*

Seniors

of 1953

JOE WIMBERLEY

Student Organization Representative, Homeroom Offices, National Honor Society Officer, World Federalists Officer, Commencement Marshal, Art Club, Bible Club.

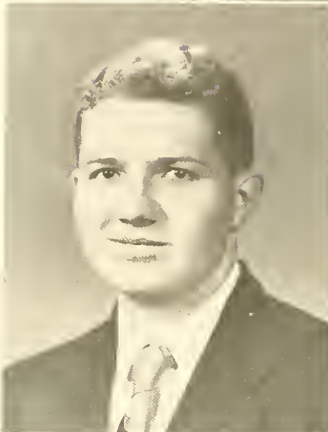


JO ANN WINDHAM

Red Cross, Student Organization Representative, Class Offices, Radio Broadcaster's Club, Assistant Editor, Co-Editor of Blackbird, National Honor Society, Tri-Hi-Y, President's Cabinet.

RANDALL WINSLOW

Choir, Intramurals, Book Club.



JIMMY WOMBLE

Band, Athletic Club, Dramatics Club, Edsonians, Homeroom Offices, Class Offices, Social Committee.

CHARLOTTE WOOD

Homeroom Offices, F.H.A., Choir, Nursing Club, Cut-A-Rug Club.

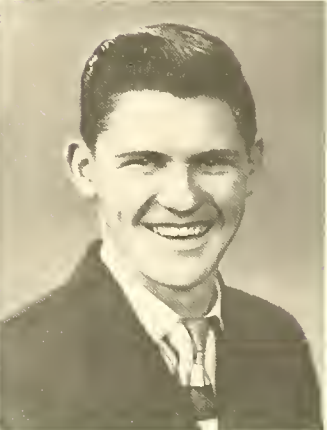
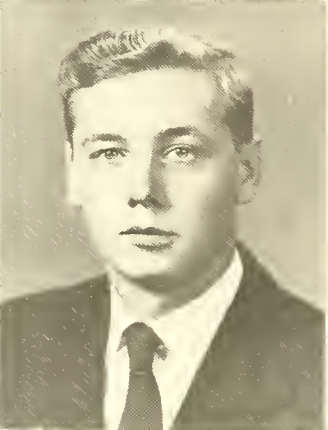


CAROL WOOD

Choir, Tri-Hi-Y, Musettes, Edsonians, Student Organization Representative.

WEAVER WRENN

Transfer from Wentworth High, Hi-Y, Homeroom Offices, Dramatics Club, Photography Club, Golf Team.



EVANS HALL

Vocational Shop.

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NANCY HOLLINGSWORTH—*Treasurer*

LLOYD HEDGEPEETH—*Vice President*

RUTH SIDES—*Secretary*

MARGARET DAUGHTRIDGE—*President*

JUNIORS

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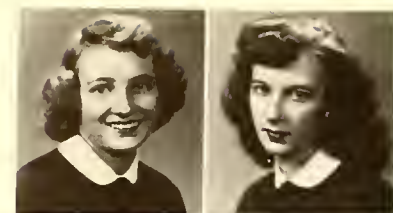
JAMES CHANDLER—*Treasurer*

JIMMY DAUGHTRIDGE—*Vice President*

GORDON WILKINSON—*Secretary*

SUE GREGORY—*President*

Juniors of '53



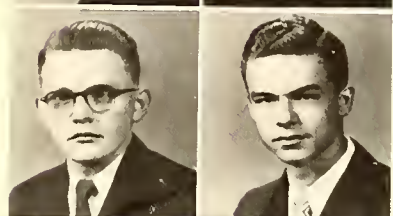
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Barbara Brantly



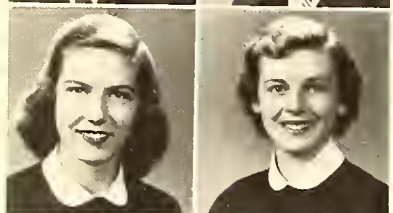
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Rudolph Brantly



Barbara Avent

Inez Brigman



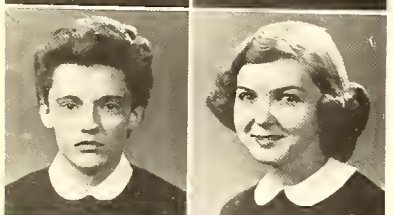
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Barbara Brown



Dave Barnes

Wade Bryant



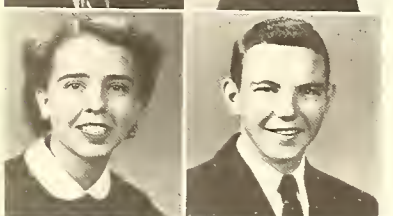
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Paul Bullock



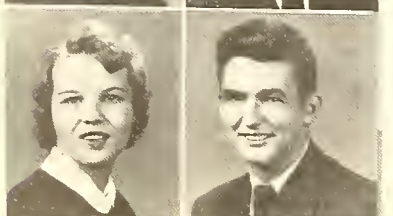
Sally A. Bartholomew

George Burton



Peggy Bateman

Richard Byrd



Martha Beckwell

James Campbell



Barbara Bedgood

Wilma Campbell



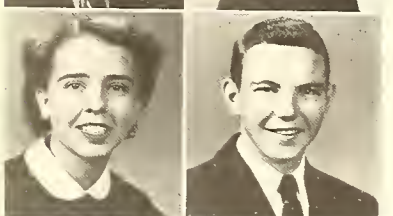
Jeanette Bennett

George Capps



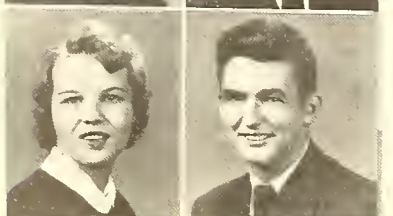
Marlene Blount

Betty Sue Cash



Eddie Booth

James Chandler



Inez Booth

Charles Childers



Rose Booth

Yvonne Churchill

Darrel Boyd

Loretta Clark



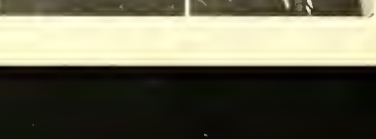
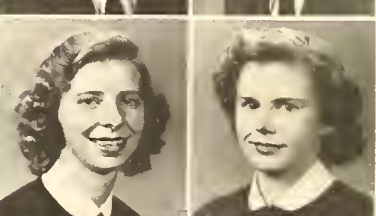
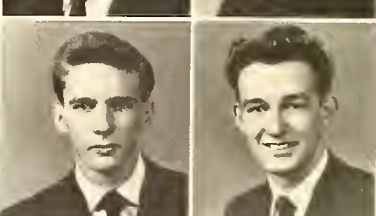
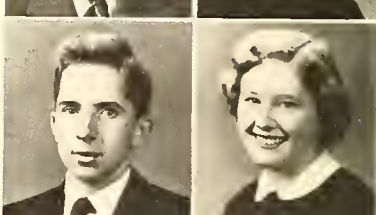
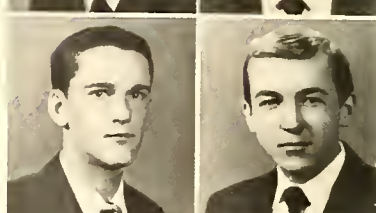
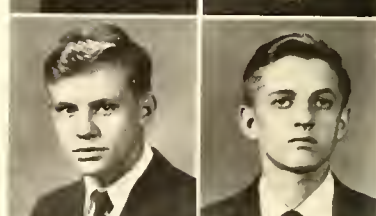
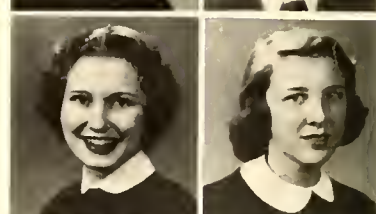
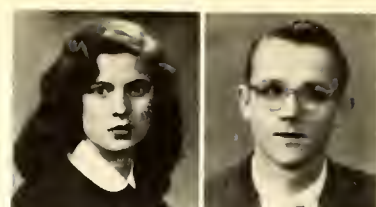
Peggy Branch

Mary Sue Clay



Billy Howell

John Coates



Juniors of '53

W. K. Coggins

Johnnie DuFour

Jean Coleman

Sally Ezzell

Billy Colston

Sallie Ellen

Kay Congleton

Evelyn Eveland

Bety Jean Cowley

Ruth Farmer

Bunny Crowley

Wiley Fisher

Jimmy Crumpler

Le Roy Fleming

Billy Culpepper

Bobby Fleming

Bob Cummings

Carolyn Gardner

Walter Currin

Edith Gardner

Mary E. Dale

Jerry Gardner

Jimmy Daughtride

Bobby Gay

E. L. Daughtride

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Peggy Geddie

Margaret Daughtride

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Bobby Deans

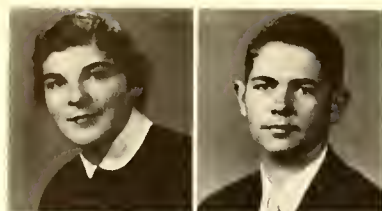
Janice Gray

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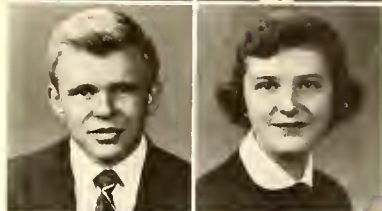
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Juniors of '53



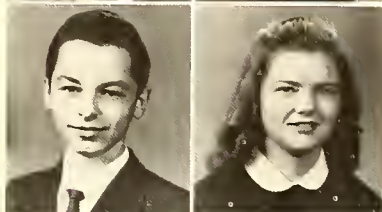
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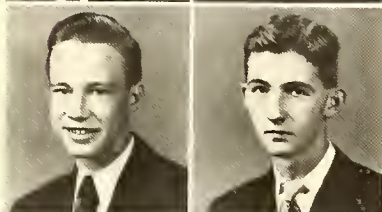
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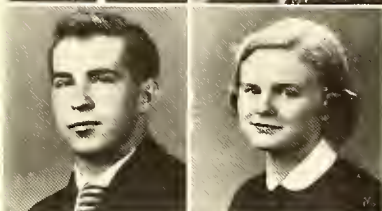
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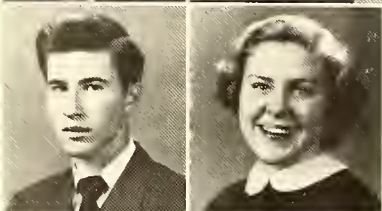
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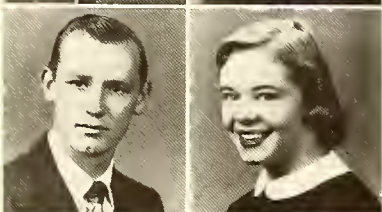
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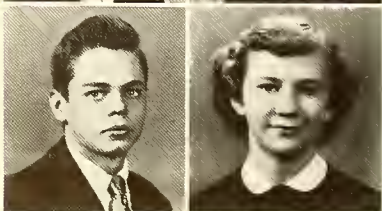
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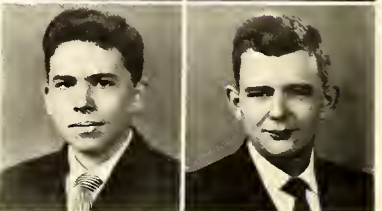
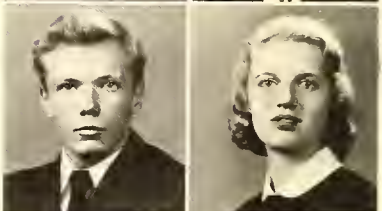
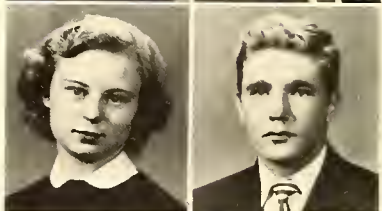
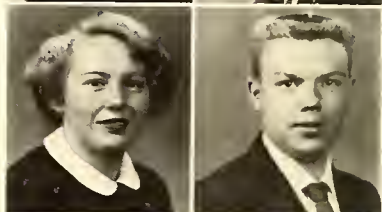
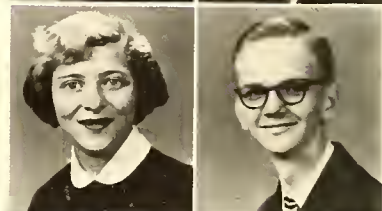
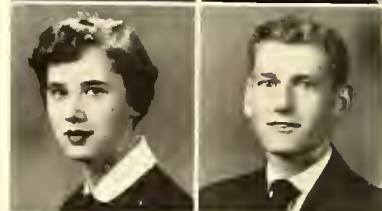
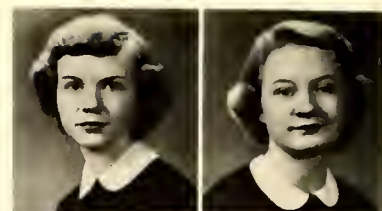
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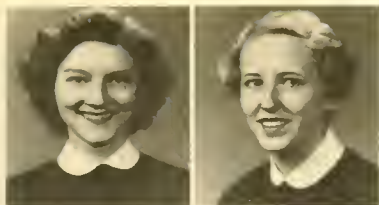
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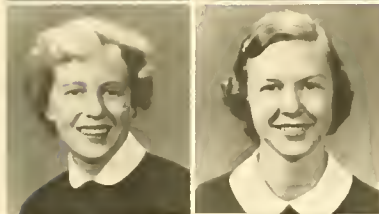
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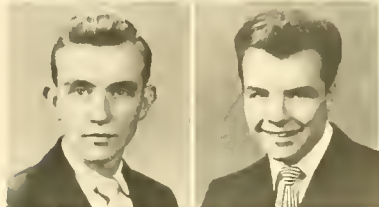
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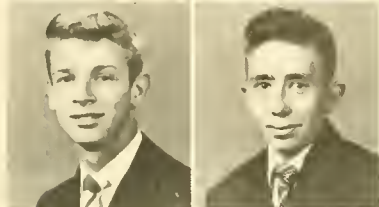
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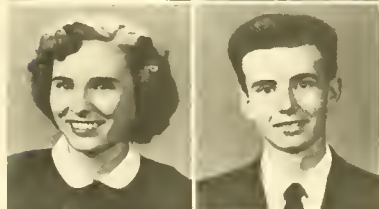
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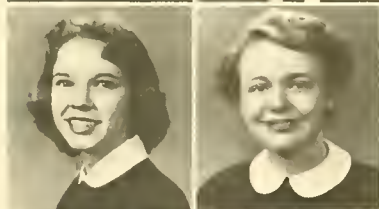
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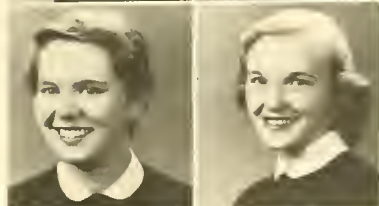
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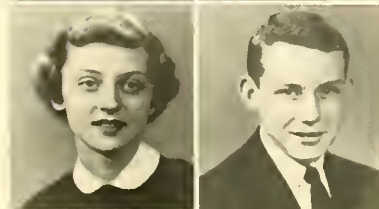
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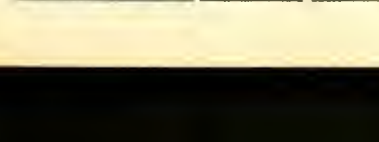
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Bobo May

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George Moore

Jean Moore

Rudolph Moore

Sara Moore

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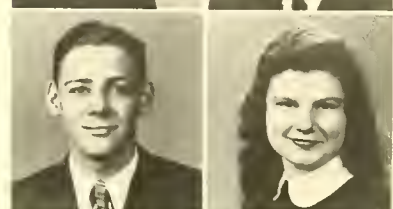
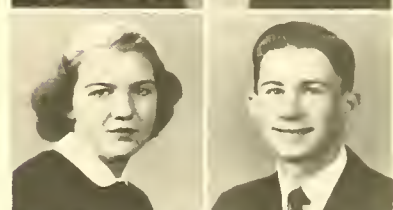
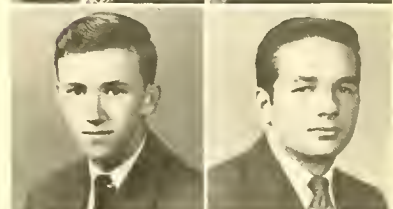
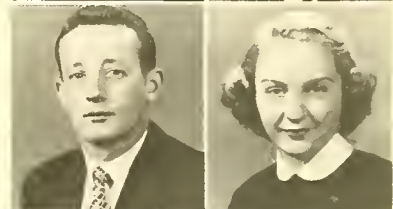
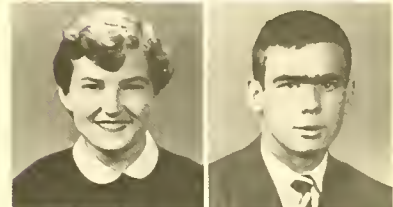
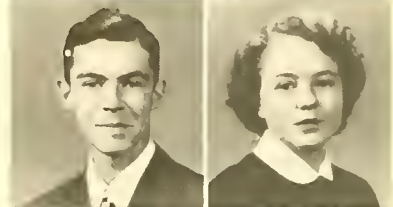
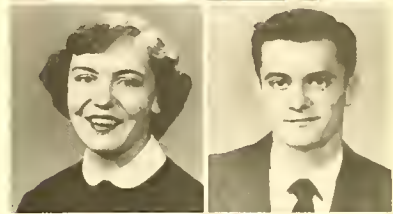
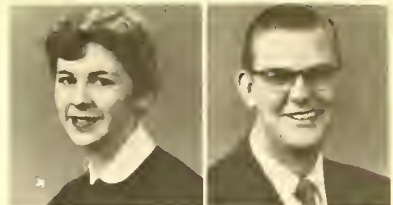
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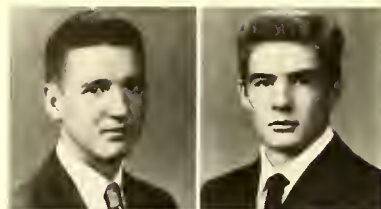
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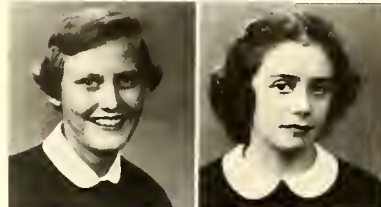
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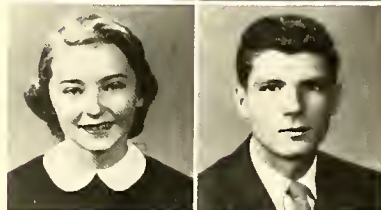
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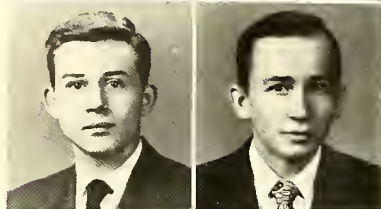
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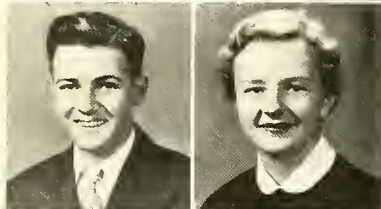
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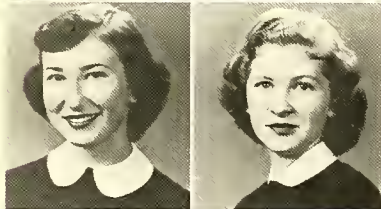
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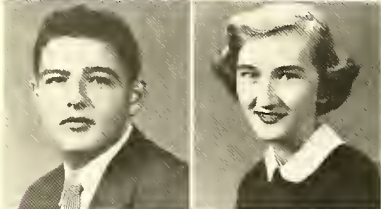
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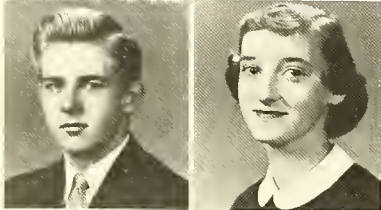
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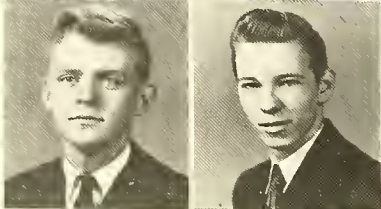
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Nicky Shine

Bobby Shipman

Ruth Sides

Billy Smith

Johnny Soden

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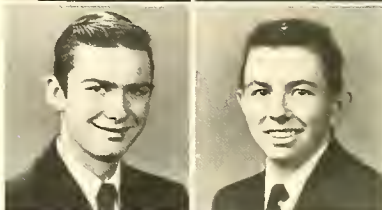
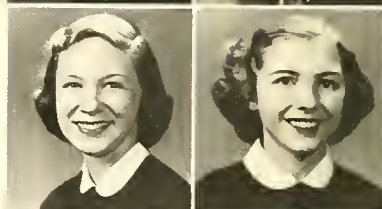
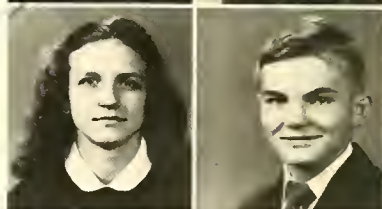
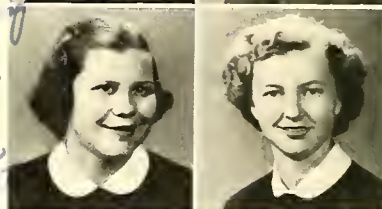
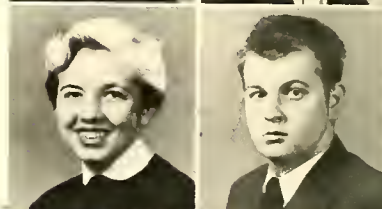
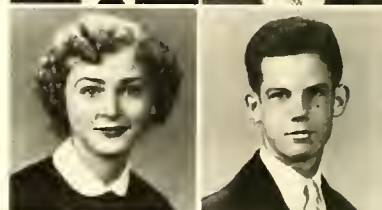
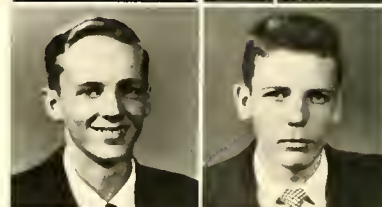
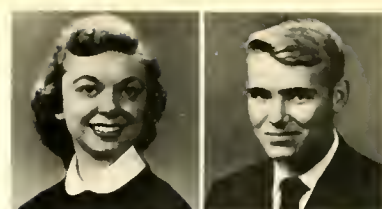
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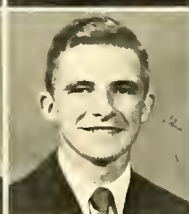
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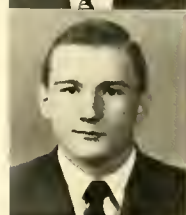
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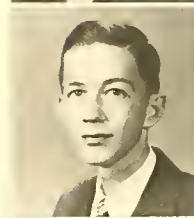
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to have you in one of my
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Bill Tharrington*



Gordon Weeks



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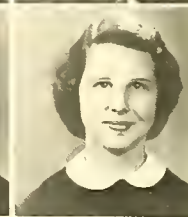
Milton Whitley



Gordon Wilkinson



Elise Williams



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Dear Wilson,

How can I say what I want to say? It's impossible to put into words the fun we've had this year at the football games, movies, band trips, and just around school; and how much knowing you has meant to me this year. The school will seem empty without Wilson Pitt next year, but I know you'll be doing bigger and better things in college, preparing for your career. All that means a lot to you, and I hope you'll always get everything you want in life. You have what it takes to become a success and no obstacles will be too difficult for you to overcome.

I've tried, but I've done a poor job in saying what I want to, so I'll just wish you the best of luck next year and every year after that.

Love,
Anne

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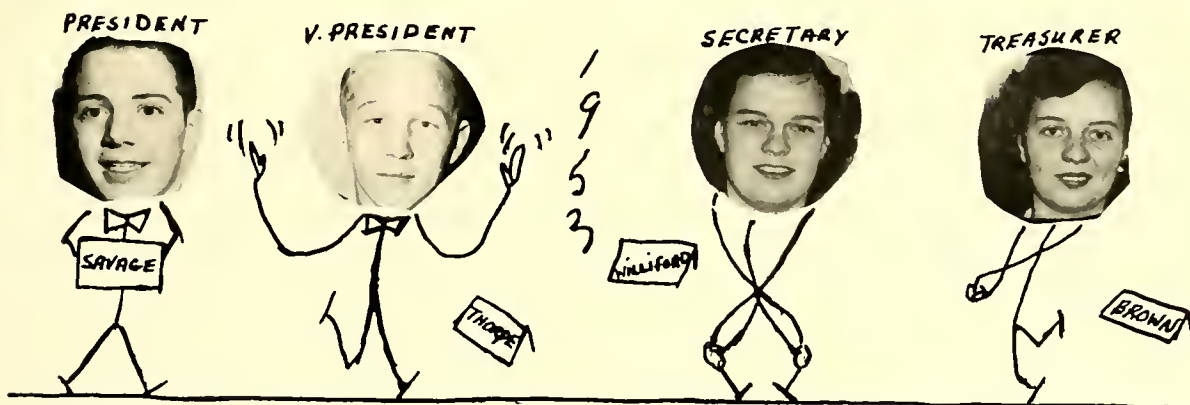
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for the Rocky Mount High School



GUYS & DOLLS

"A STORY OF THE SOPHOMORES"



SOPHO



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Second row: Martha Bradley, Leah Faye Lee, Wasila Hamad, Linda Joyner, Nancy Newbold, Willa Dene Simmons, Jackie Davis, Mary Frances Warren, Pat Covington.

Third row: Charles Bateman, Shirley Proctor, Joan Bucket, Shirley Parham, Myrna Bell, Connie Taylor, Jessie Pittman, Marvin Barnes.

Fourth row: Blake Nicholson, Winkie Hardesty, Fritz Cronenberg, Bobby Patterson, Merle Daniels, Jimmy Herring, Jack Hayes.



First row, left to right: Peggy Manning, Charlotte Jones, Mary Manning, Eugene Starling, Jeannette McIntyre, Janice Anderson, Mrs. T. D. Young.

Second row: Mary Moore Campbell, Joyce Winstead, Frankie Brock, Sylvia Bulluck, Joyce Hudson, Beverly Davis, Betty Webb, Doris Cooper.

Third row: Jimmy Viverette, Kay Williams, Elizabeth Staton, Evelyn Sellers, Virginia Perry, Margie Fentress, James Birney, Janice Pierce.

Fourth row: Richard Williams, Roland Braswell, Gene Arnold, James Brown, Bill Daughtridge, Johnny Hammond, Royce Powell.

Front row, left to right: Carol Morgan, Margaret Williams, Lucinda Oliver, Betty James, Jane Hatchett, Pat Edwards, Mr. Lundy.

Second row: Lynne Moore, Jonelle Frazier, Sandy Thorpe, Barbara Ann Jones, Mimi Brewer, Martha Lane, Eddie Ricks, Ruby Bryant, Dor Hales.

Third row: Steve Proctor, Glenn Cartee, Earl Pridgen, Ronnie Felton, Billy Wynne, Julian Aldridge, Kenneth Cooke.

Fourth row: Lee Bellamy, Bobby Savage, Hendrix Arnold, Billy McIntyre, Harold Winslow, James Manning, Bernard Brown, Addison Wimberly.



MORES

First row, left to right: Carolyn Willis, Kathryn Avent, Joyce Stone, Sally Ann Wicker, Char-laine Sugg, Sylvia Breedlove, Mrs. Sue H. Bowden.

Second row: Harrett Hagan, Lois Howell, Edgar Delamar, Andrew Taylor, Doloris Lamm, Clara Ann Gilbert, Lenore Ann Brown, Roberta Eason.

Third row: John Nelms, Shirley McCarter, Peggy Jennings, Ann Price, Donnie Odom, Carolyn Rich, Peggy Webb, Bobby Wimberly.

Fourth row: Harry Rose, Graham Adams, Addison Dixon, M. L. Wood, Charles Buchan, Leland Dawson, Carlton Ruffin, Wiley Shearin, Joe Daughtridge.



First row, left to right: Carol Browning, Barbara Sutton, Myrt Pearce, Erwin Robbins, Louise Stallings, Marie Boykin, Miss Josephine Grant.

Second row: Woodrow West, Christine Bryant, Angeline Lamm, Carol Casey, Joy Ann Hayes, Ethel Dickens, Kay Williford, Eddie Felts.

Third row: Bobby Wheelless, Johnnie Louise Jarvis, Frances Raynor, Sonya Long, Margie Parker, Atlas Pridgen, Marjorie Fuller, Katherine Rose.

Fourth row: Jimmy Frazier, Joyce Pearce, Flaye Hammond, Bill Kinchelor, Jack Philips, Paul Stephens, Ernest Gilbert, Jerry Forbes.



First row, left to right: Donald Womble, Bobby Soden, Becky Odom, Peggy Batchelor, Sue Yelverton, Peggy Blanford, Miss Riddle.

Second row: Dwight Hinton, Audrey Kennedy, Mary Lee Fountain, Hazel Moore, Loretta Polson, Herbert Campbell, Elizabeth Wells.

Third row: Jean Stephenson, Peggy Daniel, Marty Purvis, Peggy Whitehurst, Norma Johnson, Bobby Stancil, Doris Carroll.

Fourth row: Dickie Wood, Bobby Campbell, Charles Harris, Billy Pierce, Jimmy Mears, James Willoughby, Barbara Sutton.



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The Freshmen



First row, left to right: George Dixon, Frances Brantley, Betty Rose Dail, Norma Savage, Sarah White, Terry Odom.

Second row: Mrs. Landis, Bunny Jeans, Minnie Williamson, Kay Knight, Barbara Winstead, Patsy Pullen, Faye Mears, Shirley Fay Burnette.

Third row: Georgia Fulghum, Glenda Felton, Joanne Burns, Gail Pittman, Jean Williams, Henry Rowland, Neal Eggleston.

Fourth row: Rodney Pittman, Harrison Gay, Philip Threatt, John O'Donnell, Gene Ray, George Morgan, Charles Landen, Fred Harris.

Freshmen of '53

First row, left to right: Kathryn Batten, Linda Daughtridge, Jean Root, Philip Bone, Sandra Shearon, Oscar Taylor, Jean Sugg, Rachelle Langley.

Second row: Miss Bond, Dottie Matthews, Nannie Lindsey, Shirley Roberts, Sylvia Poland, Margie Williford, Georgie Daughtridge, Gene Daughtridge.

Third row: Scottie Brantley, Catherine McLamb, Patsy Mellor, Lillian Daughtridge, Sheila Culpepper, Luke Landin, Marshall Proctor, Betty Cockrell.

Fourth row: Willard Williams, Edward Guy, Sammy Mouzon, Fred Ruben, Dan Boone, Wendell Owens, Harry Hinson, Billy Evans, Fred Davis.



First row, left to right: Cecil Winstead, Faye Batts, Margaret Stone, Anna Yelverton, Tonya Pennington, Carol Strange, Judy Carr, Raymond Hollowell, Harold Gilbert.

Second row: Mrs. R. H. Gorham, Delano Jenkins, Catherine Atkins, Joyce Crocker, Peggy Collins, Patsy Childers, Una Driver, Henry Thompson, Henry Warren.

Third row: Ray Harper, Pat Alexander, Ernest Coley, Mariah Jane Parker, G. C. Warren, Margaret Spain, Janet Davis, Judy Best.

Fourth row: Billy Wilhalf, Bunny Bell, Charles Ayscue, Billy Matthews, Lyle Crumpler, Peyton Blanton, Milton Dickens, Bruce Etheridge.

First row, left to right: Bobby Butler, Peggy Vick, Carol Hagan, Louise Harris, Pauline Huneycutt, Mae Davis, Jay Weaver.

Second row: Miss Rubie Vause, Judy Kabo, Freddy Phelps, Willa Nelms, Sarah Campbell, Patricia Moore, Mena Buchan, Betsy Hutto, J. R. Baker.

Third row: Norman Robinson, Jimmy Moore, Earline Valentine, Patricia Walker, Patricia Clark, Joe Powell, Peggie Robbins.

Fourth row: David Bridges, James Davenport, Jerry Horton, Aaron Murray, Tom Warren, C. D. Webb, Bobby Reaves, Francis Collins.



Freshmen of '53

First row, left to right: Norma Bullock, Pat Thomas, Cherry Page, Tony Turner, Annette Hammond, Patsy Moore, Ray Joyner.

Second Row: Miss Mills, Dan Johnson, Judy Barnes, Dorothy Ricks, Pat Parrish, Rosalie Dalton, Joyce Batchelor, James Ezzell.

Third row: Myra Floyd, Mary Frances Edmunds, Jewel Pearce, Joyce Harris, Georgia Robinson, Betty Rose Brigman, Carolyn Luper, Ray Edwards.

Fourth row: Coleman Jackson, Joe Proctor, Larry Gupton, Pat Warren, Billy Wright, Wiley Clay, Tuck O'Kelly, Clarence Rowell.



First row, left to right: Bobby Smith, Dorothy Ricks, Barbara Taylor, Alma Daughtridge, Diane Odom, Ginger Roney, Gladys Ricks, John Gorham.

Second row: Mrs. Speight, Aubrey Wiggins, Gene Pridgen, Barbara Groves, Peggy Faulkner, Janet Barrett, Ruth Peele.

Third row: Betty Lewis, Bertice Joyner, Hallie Anderson, Lynn Hatcher, Gretchen Zabawa, Bayard Walker, Sonny Cherry, Charles Sanders.

Fourth row: Butch Weaver, Lynn Privette, Eugene Cawthorne, Billy McCarter, Kenneth Peele, Jimmy Davis, Bradley Dozier, Buster Brawley.

Absent: Glenn Williams, Joyce Stallings.

First row, left to right: Carolyn Wilder, Joyce Farris, Bennie Ray Johnson, Patricia Reaves, Ola Mae Winstead, Annette Riley, Mary Ezzelle.

Second row: Miss Parker, Wilson Butler, Rudolph Behrendt, Peggy Jones, Glenda Radford, Paul Mehle, Evelyn Robinson, Patricia Batchelor.

Third row: Jerry Adams, Jackie Evans, Albert Page, Wayne Parker, Janice Davenport, Kathleen Eveland, Doris Pate, Albert Bowen.

Fourth row: I. D. Fuller, Ann Brinson, Tommy Eure, Donald Stallings, Stanley Kornfield, Nell Wiggins, Al Boyd, Stanley Morgan.



Behind The Scenes With Our Organizations



A delightful comedy for November—"The Late Christopher Bean"



Friendly rivalry at Assembly



The Service Club presents



Student Organization Officers

Left to right: George Patseavouras, Treasurer; Elise Williams, Secretary; Mary Wilkinson, President; Donald Bryan, Parliamentarian; Baxter Savage, Vice-President.

Student Organization Cabinet

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Second row: Mimi Brewer, Bulletin Board Chairman; Sue Gregory, Publicity Chairman; Alice Barnes, Editor Hi-Noc-Ar; Jo Ann Windham, Co-Editor Blackbird.

Third row: Donald Edwards, Traffic Chairman; Wilton Holliday, Co-Editor Blackbird; Jimmy Bishop, Fire Drill Chairman; George Farmer, Elections Chairman; Theo Pitt, House and Grounds Chairman; Sally Adams, Social Chairman; Edwina Jones, President of G.A.A.



Student Organization Representatives

The purpose of the Student Organization is to represent the students. Through standing committees and special projects, it plans and carries out activities for school improvement. While carrying out these activities, it provides an opportunity for student leadership and fellowship and it promotes democratic citizenship. The Student Organization is divided into three divisions with each division having its own complete organization.

Division One is the General Organization with its four officers, its ten major or standing committees, and its assembly of representatives from the homerooms.

Division Two is the Class Organization. For each of the four groups—freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior—there is an organization consisting of four officers, an advisor, and the necessary committees—all from the homerooms, comprising the group.

Division Three is the Homeroom Organization with its four officers, the homeroom teacher, and the desired committees.

SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES

First row: Jo Ann Windham, Betty Hedgepeth, Shirley Stone, Jane Edwards.

Second row: Fred Lee, Dot Price, Beryl Peters, Billy Knowles.

Third row: Russell Bartholomew, Wilton Holliday.

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVES

First row: Peggy Sexton, Mary Proctor, Mary Jo Mears, Gordon Wilkinson, Elizabeth Vann.

Second row: Janet Spain, Sally Ann Bartholomew, Carolyn Gardner, Stanley Still.

Third row: Charles Hughes, Stanley Leggett, Jimmy Selby, Lee Parker.

Fourth row: Bobby Fleming, Eddie Booth, Bobby Gay, La Verne Strickland.

SOPHOMORE REPRESENTATIVES

First row: Barbara Ann Smith, Lenore Brown, Joy Ann Hayes, Jean Stephenson.

Second row: Leah Lee, Jeanette McIntyre, Betty James, Peggy Daniels.

Third row: Billy Wynne, Bill Kincheloe.

FRESHMAN REPRESENTATIVES

First row: Fay Batts, Joyce Farris, Margaret Stone, Judy Barnes, Alma Daughtridge.

Second row: Ann Brinson, Mae Davis, Anna Yelverton, Lynn Hatchett, Mary Frances Edmundson, Sandra Shearin, Judy Kabo.

Third row: Dan Boone, Freddy Ruben, Bobby Stallings.



Senior Girls' Tri-Hi-Y

First row, left to right: Jo Ann Windham, Betty Spence, Alice Barnes, Sue Daughtridge, Claranda Mangum.

Second row, left to right: June Gideons, Bobbitt Clay, Beryl Peters, Sally Adams, Carrol Wood, Marcia Milne, Beth Hurt, Shirley Robinson.



Senior Hi-Y

First row, left to right: S. E. Strickland, Fred Lee, George Strickland, John Drake, Glenn Daughtridge, Weaver Wrenn.

Second row, left to right: Mr. Herman Shrieve—advisor, Russell Bartholomew, Dickie Collins, Wilton Holiday, Ken Brinson, Ronnie Harrell, Louis Booth, Mr. Hugh Finch—advisor.



Y-Teens

First row, left to right: Sarah Moore, Anne Proctor, Marlene Blount, La Verne Fleming, Peggy Geddie, Roberta Eason, Sue Daughtridge.

Second row: Evelyn Eveland, Inez Booth, Mildred Leggett, Betty Jean Cowley, Lynn Moore, Carolyn Gardner, Peggy Searcy, Christine Huffham, Johnnie Du Fore, Patsy Pearce.



Freshman Tri-Hi-Y

First row, left to right: Mae Davis, Joane Burnes, Sara White, Patsy Moore, Pat Thomas, Judy Carr, Alma Daughtridge, Diane Odom, Norma Savage, Harriet Hagan, Myra Floyd, Annette Hammond.

Second row: Betsy Carr—advisor, Frances Warren, Bunny Jeans, Janet Davis, Minnie Williamson, Rosalie Lee Dalton, Dot Ricks, Judy Barnes, Glenda Felton, Jean Williams, Kay Knight, Fay Mears, Anna Yelverton.

Third row: Judy Kabo, Gail Pittman, Hallie Anderson, Ann Brinson.

Fourth row: Nannie Lindsey, Jewel Pearce, Dottie Williamson, Patsy Pullen, Jean Taylor, Lynn Hatchett, Mariah Parker, Ginger Ronnie, Margaret Stone.



Sophomore Tri-Hi-Y

First row: Louise Stallins, Lucinda Oliver, Leah Lee, Doris Cooper, Pat Edwards.

Second row: Joy Jones, Elizabeth Smith, Myrna Bell, Shirley Proctor, Mary F. Warren, Jane Hatchett, Sue Yelverton.

Freshman-Sophomore

First row, left to right: Bobby Ellis, Arkey Matthews, Heber Sutton, Clinton Sharpe.

Second row: Joe Capel, Larry Ward, Donnie Bland, Reynolds Jordon, Charles Evans.





Junior Music Club

First row, left to right: Marcia Milne, Elizabeth Vann, Elise Williams, Kay Congleton, Edith Ann Johnson, Alice Barnes, Betty Ann Hedgepeth, Ruth Sides, Margaret Daughtridge, Nancy Lehane, Carolyn Lowder, Erwin Robbins, Janet Fulcher, Mary Ann Braswell.

Second row: Mary Wilkinson, Nancy Parry, Laverne Fleming, Dickie Collins.

Third row: Julian Aldridge, Wilson Pitt, George Knight, Ralph Chason.

Good Sports Club

First row, left to right: Barbara Drake, Marie Tyler, Alice Barnes.

Second row: Neva Taylor, Sally Adams, Doris Ellis.

Third row: Edwina Moore, Claranda Mangum, Vivian Williams, Janet Spain, Mary Wilkinson, Aileen Griffin.

Fourth row: Elise Williams, Betty Ann Hedgepeth, Beryl Peters, Nancy Parry, Janet Spain.

Fifth row: Mrs. Landis, Joyce Thomas, Mrs. Lundy.





Distributive Education Club

First row, left to right—Durwood Murray, Miss Riddle, Doretha Joyner, Nancy Eason, June Cockrell, Barbara Jackson, Shirley Williford, Bill English.
Second row—Ray Matthews, Maney Godwin, Louis Booth, Douglas Newton, W. K. Coggins, Bernard Manning, Mack English, Ray Joyner.



Service Club

First row, left to right—Vivian Williams, Mary Proctor, Sylvia Crocker, Elise Williams, Mary Ann Braswell.

Second row—Sue Gregory, Mary Jo Mears, Peggy Alexander, Sally Adams, Mary Wilkinson, Shirley Stone.

Third row—Ghazi Hamad, Donald Bryan, John Marriott, Edward Braswell, Ben Williams, Mrs. Robbins.

Fourth row—Wiley Fisher, Marvin Ward, Lloyd Hedgepeth, Freddie Sexton, Grady Gardner.

Fifth row—Billy Colston, James Chandler, Donald Edwards.



National Honor Society

First row, left to right —
Wilson Pitt, Nancy Parry,
Gertrude Coggins, Claranda
Mangum, Edwina Moore, Ber-
yl Peters, Jo Ann Windham,
Donna Clark, Edward Hall-
ford.

Second row — Alice Barnes,
Wilton Holliday, Donald Ed-
wards, Wallace Johnson,
George Patseavouras, Joe
Wimberley, Mary Wilkinson,
Miss Bond, Advisor.

Bafos

First row, left to right —
Gator Braswell, Clarence
Skinner, Fred Lee, Johnny
Warren, John Marriott, Jim-
my Selby, Theo Pitt.

Second row — William
Green, Billy Smith, Baxter
Savage, Jimmy Lancaster,
Russell Bartholomew

Third row — Weno Pierce,
Marvin Ward, Eddie Booth,
John Drake, Jimmy Daugh-
tridge, Tommy Looney.

Fourth row — Don Edwards,
Smokey Lancaster, Eddie Pen-
nington, Bobby Deans, Bobby
Patterson, E. E. Adkins,
Wayne Hux, Lee Parker,
Waverly Smith.



F. H. A.

First row, left to right — Miss Grant, Peggy Strickland, Barbara Ann Drake, Mary Eveland, Melba Daniels, Beth Hurt, Jeannette Little, Frances Williams, Virginia Ann Capps.

Second row — Mary E. Pike, Shirley Ricks, Yvonne Alford, Pearl Lewis, Evelyn Eveland, Marian King, Aileen Griffin, Pat Leavitt, Edith Gardner, Jackie Hawkins.

Third row — Sue Daughtridge, Peggy Hamrick, Peggy Stanley, Jean Winstead, Loretta Clark, Jeannette Gay, Joyce Barnes, June Giddeons.



Musettes

First row, left to right — Miss Johnson, Nancy Hollingsworth, Janet Williams, Elaine Peters.

Second row — Nancy Newbold, Charlotte Wood, Elizabeth Vann, Beth Hurt, Janet Spain, Pat Pittman, Barbara Sutton, Mary Helen Melvin, Carol Wood.

Third row — Johnnie Dufour, Jesse Pittman, Catherine Rose, Bunny Crowley.



The

Edwina Moore
President



Edsonians

Shirley Stone
Vice-President



Aileen Griffin
Secretary



Edward Hallford
Treasurer



Black Masquers

First row, left to right—Laverne Fleming, Suzanne Covington, Donna Clark, Frances Riddle, Shirley Stone, Aileen Griffin, Barbara Scruggs.

Second row—Edward Hallford, Ken Brinson, Dan Stancil, Grady Gardner, James Godwin, Albert Parker, Newsome Maples.





Junior-Senior Dramatic Club

First row, left to right—Shirley Robinson, Ann Proctor, Sylvia Best, Val McMillan, Marcia Milne, Carol Wood.

Second row—Dan Stancil, Louis Faulkner, Suzanne Covington, John Drake, Waverly Smith.



Freshman-Sophomore Dramatics Club

First row, left to right—Charles Bateman, Henry Thompson, Marvin Barnes, Donald Womble, Aubrey Wiggins, Larry Gupton, Bobby Patterson, Joe Powell.

Second row—Peggy Whitehurst, Hazel Moore, Judy Brewer, Lucinda Oliver, Peggy Vick, Pat Parrish, Peggy Jones, Ann Wood, Suzanne Covington, Judy Best, Patricia Walker, Jean Sugg, Betty Rose.

Third row—Joan Backat, Leah Lee, Linda Joyner, Sue Yelverton, Cacky Adkins, Norma Bullock, Betty Lewis, Joyce Farris, Sylvia Poland, Betsy Hutto, Maé Davis, Lottie Moore, Mary Lee Fountain, Pat Covington, Gladys Ricks, Williard Williams, Shirley Roberts, George Harris, Mariah Parker, Jean Daughtridge, Ann Brinson.

G.A.A.

First row, left to right —
Frances Williams, Janet Spain,
Neva Taylor, Edwina Moore,
Emily Ryals, Evelyn Sellars,
Barbara Brantley, Sally Ez-
zell.

Second row—Kay Williford,
Leonore Brown, Janice An-
derson, Elizabeth Wells, Caro-
lyn Frazier, Betsey Barnes.

Third row—Connie Taylor,
Martha Lane, Dorothy Grif-
fin, Shirley McCarter, Carolyn
Willis.

Fourth row—Margaret Wil-
liams, Margie Walker, Mil-
dred Leggett, Inez Booth,
Janice Watson, Joyce Wil-
liams, Barbara Sutton.

Fifth row—Barbara Jones,
Sonya Long, Mary Manning,
Sylvia Breedlove, Carolyn
Ritch, May Proctor, Mrs.
Lundy.



Photography Club

First row, left to right—
Jimmy Bishop, Ruth Farmer,
Wilson Pitt, Jimmy Mehele,
Charles Hughes.

Second row—Billy Culpepper,
Bart Ritner, Nicky Shine,
Eulis Robards, Andrew Har-
desty, L. M. Barnes.

Third row—Mr. Cleerwood,
Bobby Daughtridge, Weaver
Wrenn, Weno Pearce, Joe
Briley, Billy Kilgo.



Hot Stove League

First row, left to right—Roland Blankenship, Charles Daughtridge, Harry Rose, Phillip Bone, Sammy Mouzon, Stanley Still.

Second row—C. C. Cleetwood, Raymond Highsmith, Bobby Deans, Albert Parker, Bob Cummings, William Green, Ed Braswell.

Third row—Phillip Threat, Bunny Bell, Jack McCarter, Fred Harris, Jimmy Lancaster.

Fourth row—Dickie Spain, Bobby Patterson, Jack Phillips, Carlton Ruffin, Jimmy Frazier, Clem Edwards.

Fifth row—Bobby Stancil, Scottie Brantley, Roger Powell, Merle Daniels, James Manning, Gene Ray.

Sixth row—Albert Page, Paul Stevens, Billy Evans, Billy Pierce, Wendell Owens, Gordon Waters, John O' Donnell, Johnny Hammond, Bill Daughtridge, Clarence Rowell.

Junior Red Cross

Seated, left to right—Grace Rose, Joyce Crocker, Catherine Batten, Lucinda Oliver, Bill Tharrington, Pat Alexander, Jewel Pierce, Miss Turnage.

First row, standing—Shirley Robinson, Betsy Hutto, Peggy Faulkner, Peggy Manning, Fannie Pridgen, Pat Kell, Katherine Rose, Oscar Taylor, Ann Proctor, Joyce Faris, Jo Ann Burns.

Second row, standing—Billy Moore, Bobby Fleming, Marcia Milne, Dor Price, Eddie Leonard, Charles Hughes, Jessie Pittman, Jean Moore, Marlene Blount, Lib Staten.







Choir

First row, left to right—Jessie Pittman, Brooks Hinson, Janet Fulcher, Betty Ann Powell, Mary Avera, Betty Jean Cowley, Fay Grady, Betty Ann Hedgepeth, Nancy Lechane, Faye Barkley, Gwen Cooper, Ann Lane, Joy Ann Hayes, Claranda Mangum, Carol Wood, Nancy Newbold, Janet Williams, Elva Griffin, Daphne Riley, Norma Johnson, Dot Price, Carolyn Lowder, Mr. Parry.

Second row—Mary Helen Melvin, Jeanette Gay, Johnny DuFour, Kay Saunders, Patsy McAuley, Edith Ann Johnson, Edith Saunders, Lois Howell, Frances Foreman, Dor Russell, Charlotte Wood, Joyce Jenkins, Pat Kell, Doretha Joyner, Carolyn Stancil, Peggy Searcy, Myrna Koonce, Suzanne Covington, Carol Casey, Willadine Simmons.

Third row—Nancy Eason, June Cockrell, Loretta Eason, Louise Harper, Betty Starling, Delores Lamb, Wilma Campbell, William Green, Ben Williams, Dickie Collins, Gordon Waters, Jerry Ezzell, Clellon Peele, Marland Reid, Richard Byrd, Alton Denning, Robert Harris, Bobby Patterson, Pat Covington, Gerry Renfrow, Betty Spence, Myra Padgett, Marie Tyler, Mary Ruth Divine.

Fourth row—Frank Hay, Berry Lamb, Marvin Thompson, Kenneth Edwards, Billy Adams, Roland Braswell, Bobby Lockamy, Fred Sexton, George Burton, Robert Lindsey, Billy Spencer, Russell Bartholomew, T-Bone Jones, Tommy Lewis, Baxter Savage, Clarence Skinner, Hendrix Arnold, Randall Winslow, Richard Edmondson, Wilton Holliday, Charles Boone, Harry Gray, Joe Whitehead, Wellford Price, Albert Parker, Ralph Chason, George Strickland.

Junior Majorettes





Alice Barnes
Editor



Janet Fulcher
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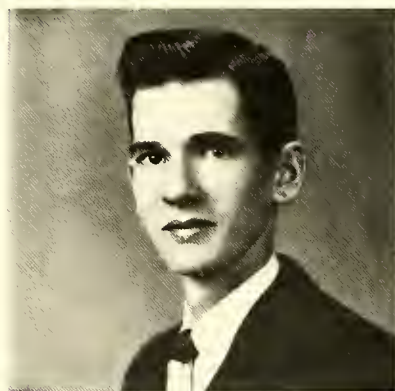
Marie Tyler
Business Manager

THE 1953

The 1953 Hi-Noc-Ar Staff is very proud to present this 1953 edition of the Hi-Noc-Ar. This year we have a lithographed book instead of an engraved one. That means that each individual staff member has done more work and given more of his time and effort than ever before.



Christine Huffham



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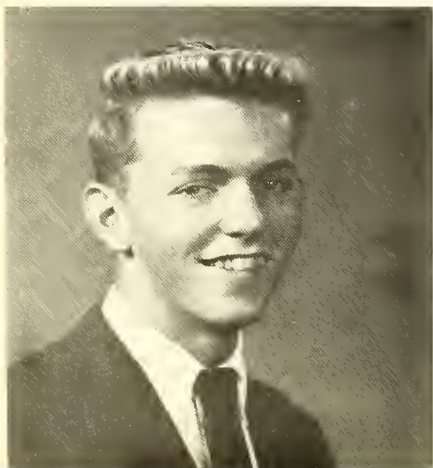


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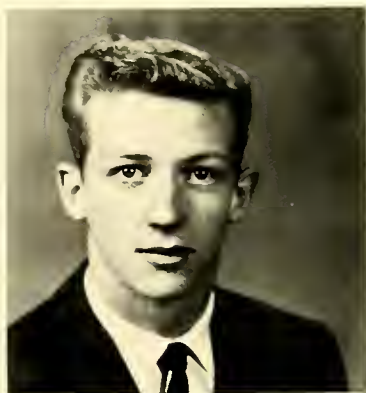
HI-NOC-AR

The staff has really worked hard this year and it has been a thoroughly co-operative and enjoyable one. Miss Murchison, our advisor, has been priceless. We have all enjoyed working together on this annual and hope that you enjoy it equally as well.

The Editor.



Theo Pitt



Bobby Deans



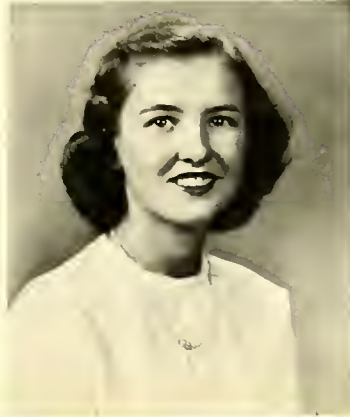
Penn Strandberg

Mary Ruth Divine

Edward Hallford

Myra Padgett

George Parseavouras





Junior-Senior Radio Broadcasters Club

First row, left to right—Paul Bulluck, Betty Sue Cash, Nancy Hollingsworth, Peggy Bateman, Freddy Turnage, Patricia Harris, George Knight, George Capps, Jimmy Davis, Billy Knowles.

Second row—Rose Booth, Bobbie Scruggs, Peggy Sexton, Joan Wynne, Patsy Pierce, Jo Ann Windham, Jane Edwards, Raymond Highsmith.

Third row—Bunny Crowley, Elaine Peters, Barbara Coley, La Verne Strickland, Carolyn Gardner, Mr. Edson, George Farmer, Charles Putnam.

Freshman-Sophomore Radio Broadcasters

First row, left to right—Bobby Smith, Lenore Brown, Frances Foreman, Kay Sanders, Julian Aldridge, Carolyn Rabil, Claire Gilbert, Janette Frazier, Sylvia Breedlove.

Second row—Peggy Batchelor, Norma Johnson, Hattie Cockrell, Martha Long, Ann Price, Joyce Williams, Barbara Sutton, Carolyn Rich, Jesse Pittman.

Third row—Neal Eggleston, Glenn Williams, Ronnie Felton, Steve Proctor, Mr. Edson.

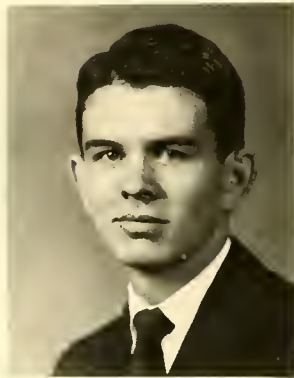


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Members of *The Blackbird* staff are shown working at a few of the many duties that putting out a newspaper demands. Top, left, Carolyn Gardner, George Knight and Wilton Holliday pick out pictures and stories. Right, Val McMillan, Jane Edwards and Sarah Moore discuss the business end of publishing the paper.

Bottom, left, Patsy Pearce, Stan Leggett and Nicky Shine make a layout. Right, Ruth Farmer, Peggy Jo Geddie and Kay Sanders complete the final step—distribution to subscribers.



Valentine McMillan
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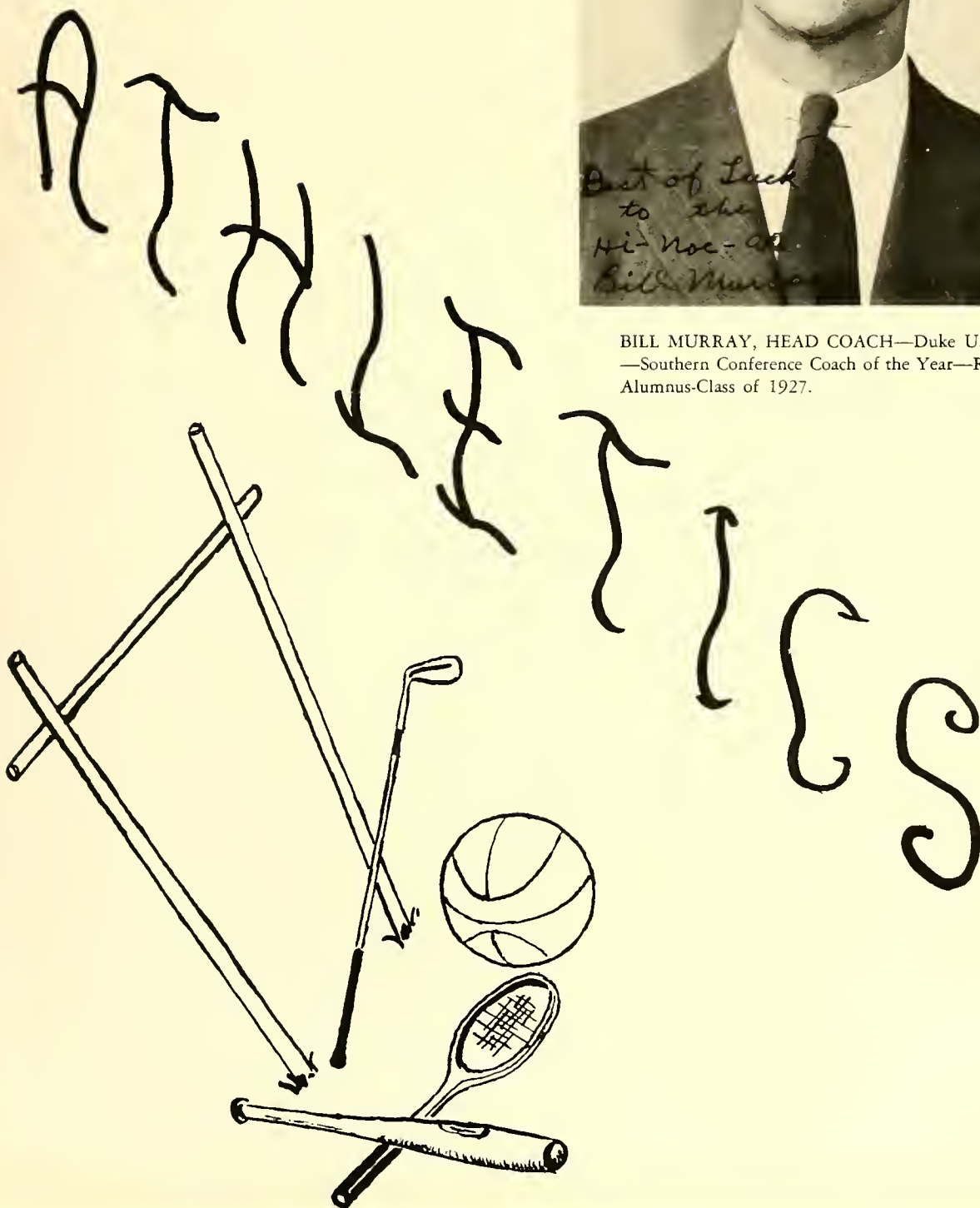
THE SHOW GOES ON



1. Chow line.
2. Why so pensive, Bobbitt?
3. Character! Service! Scholarship! Leadership!
4. Rural atmosphere at Christmas.
5. Dreamland is here!
6. Hav' a Coke, Bugs!
7. Game time approaches.
8. Buy one from me!
9. Co-Cap's learn how to get their men?
10. 11:40 any Friday!
11. First one in is a sissy.
12. She done it!



BILL MURRAY, HEAD COACH—Duke University
—Southern Conference Coach of the Year—R.M.H.S.
Alumnus-Class of 1927.





SPORTS



E. E. Adkins
Head Football Coach

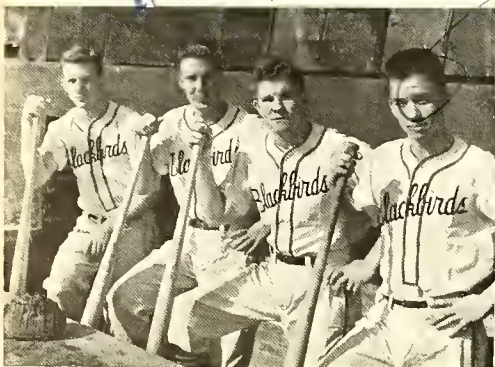


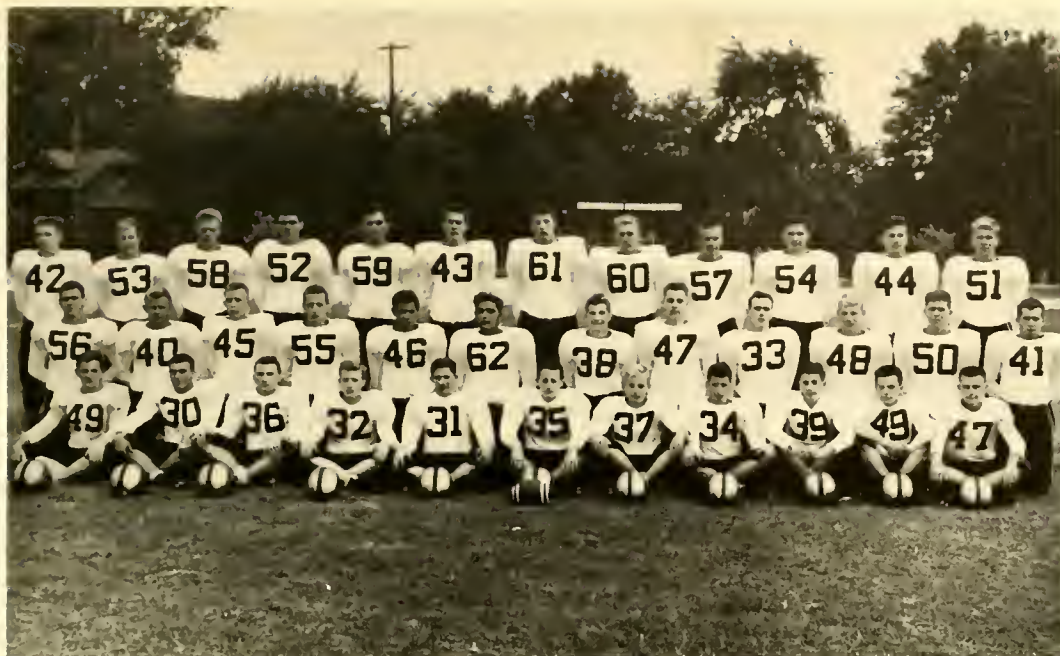
C. V. Lundy
Head Basketball Coach



C. C. Cleetwood
Head Baseball Coach

*Wilson
I appreciate you
giving me all those
scratch hits and best
luck always to the best
score keeper in the state.
- Wenus
12-3*





Varsity Football Squad

Left to right, first row—Winky Hardesty, "Squirrel" Skinner, Johnny Warren, Bobby Deans, Theo Pitt, Rat Patterson, Bobby Daughtridge, Eddie Booth, Russell Bartholemew, James Shearin, John Drake. Second row—Lee Parker, Bo Gupton, Fred Lee, S. E. Strickland, Tim Kermon, Baxter Savage, Gator Braswell, Tommy Looney, Wayne Hux, Billy Smith, Head Daughtridge, Raymond Highsmith. Third row—Jim Selby, Ronnie Harold, Smokey Lancaster, Joe Raynor, Charles Boone, James Chandler, "Nap" Robbins, Waverley Smith, George Farmer, Edmon Nelms, Eddie Pennington, Jimmy Lancaster.



Nappy Robbins, All-State,
All-Eastern, Shrine Bowl



The Big Man



Tim Kermon, All-Eastern



Co-Captains Smith and
Robbins going to the
middle with the Refs



Honorary coach "Spero"



Jimmy Daughtridge



"Rat" Patterson



"Squirrel" Skinner



Fred Lee



James Chandler



"Gator" Braswell



Eddie Pennington



Goldsboro—Where'd they come from? We won!



Wilmington—They got him! We won!



Fayetteville—Nothing less than six! We lost!



Durham—Poor Guy! We lost!

Tommy Looney



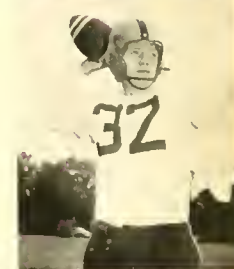
Baxter Savage



"Nap" Robbins



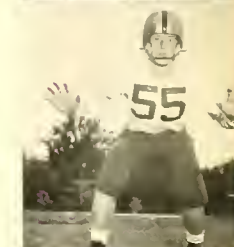
Bobby Deans



Waverley Smith



S. E. Strickland



Tim Kermon





Wayne Hux



Jimmy Lancaster



Lee Parker



Jim Selby



"Smokey" Lancaster



Johnny Warren



Edmond Nelms



Wilson—A usual Rocky Mt. play. He lost fifteen. We won! 33 to 6



Raleigh—Pick 'em up Gator! We lost!



Ronnie Harold



Joe Raynor



Theo Pitt



Russell Bartholemew



Charles Boone



"Bo" Gupton



John Drake



James Shearin



Billy Smith



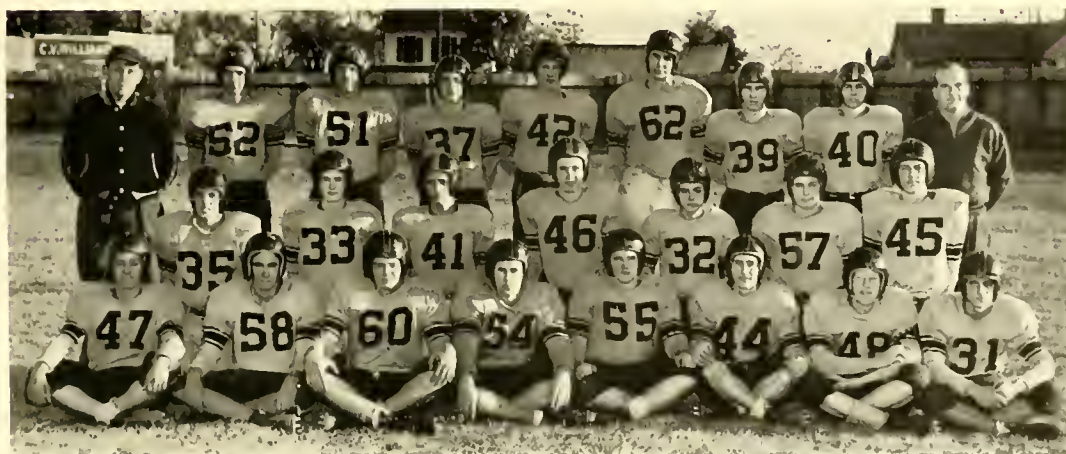
George Farmer



Raymond Highsmith



Eddie Booth



First row, left to right—Bruce Ethridge, Lyle Crumpler, Jack Philips, Paul Stevens, Winky Hardesty, Dickie Wood, Billy McCarter, Ray Harper. Second row—Harold Gilbert, Bunny Bell, Jimmy Davis, Flaye Hammond, Joe Powell, Billy Wyson, Tommy Vaughne. Third row—Coach Lundy, Payton Blandford, Pat Warren, Fred Harris, John O'Donnell, Billy McIntyre, Clem Edwards, Johnny Hammond, Billy Deans, Assistant Coach.

Basketball



Front row, left to right—Bobby Patterson, Clem Edwards, Stanley Still, Jimmy Daughtridge, Billy Proctor, George Pierce, Bobby Deans, James Manning, Mgr. Jimmy Davis. Back row, left to right—George Patseavouras, "Smokey" Lancaster, Donald Edwards, Dave Barnes, Eddie Pennington, Lloyd Hedgepeth, Carter Hedrick.



Guess who?



Dr. Aches and Pains!



Get the ball, Don!

Go, Moon!





"Smokey" Lancaster

STARTING



Don "Newk" Edwards



"Rat" Patterson



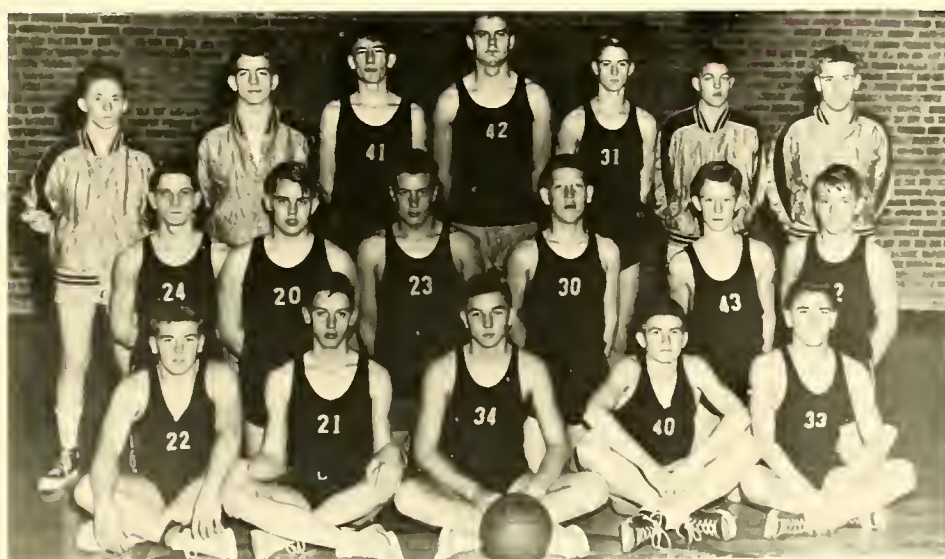
"Wild Bill" Proctor

FIVE



"Weno" Pierce

Junior Varsity

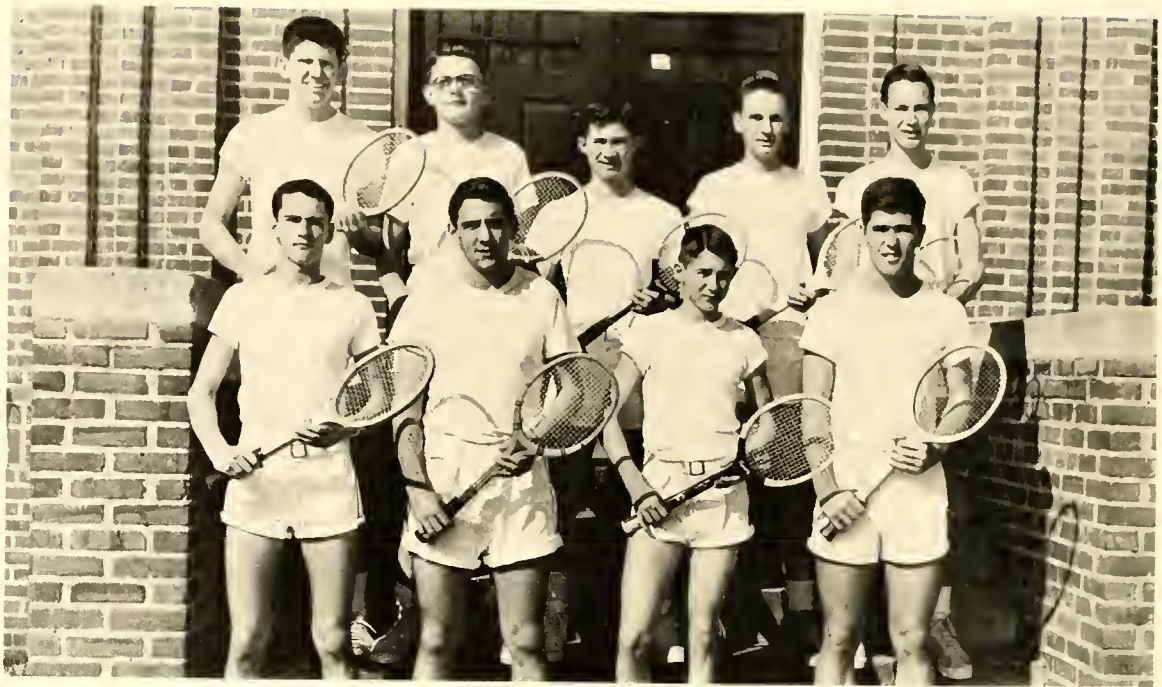


First row, left to right—Harold Gilbert, Addison Wimberly, Bill Toler, Bunny Bell, Clem Edwards.

Second row, left to right—Ray Harper, Bobby Wimberly, Donald Stallings, Billy McCarter, Charles Landin, Bruce Ethridge.

Third row, left to right—Jackie Stancil, Fred Harris, Addison Dixon, Billy Pierce, Sammy Mouzon, Harold Rose, Paul Stevens.

Tennis



Front row, left to right—George Burton, Charlie Putnam, Dwight Hinton, Jimmy Daughtride. Back row, left to right—"Judge" Johnson, Dave Barnes, Theo Pitt, Billy Colston, Lloyd Hedgepeth.



"Judge" Johnson



Dwight Hinton



Charlie Putnam



Jimmy Daughtride



George Burton



Dave Barnes

RECORD

1. Raleigh.....	Won
2. Tarboro.....	Won
3. Wilson.....	Won
4. Wilmington.....	Won
5. Goldsboro.....	Lost
6. Goldsboro.....	Lost
7. Wilson.....	Won
8. Tarboro.....	Won
9. Raleigh.....	Won
10. Wilmington.....	Won

STATE TOURNAMENT

1. Won.....	Kinston
2. Won.....	Winston Salem
3. Lost.....	Durham
4. Lost.....	Charlotte

Baseball



Left to right—Bobby Patterson, Stanley Still, James Manning, "Weno" Pierce, Gordon Waters, Clem Edwards, "Gator" Braswell, "Arrow" Deans, Albert Parker, Calton Ruffing, Charles Sanders, Sammy Mouzon, Willie Green, Addison Wimberly, Manley Godwin, Billy Adams, "Moon" Pennington, Bob Cummings, Ray Harper, Raymond Highsmith, Billy Pearce, Fred Harris, Jimmy Lancaster, Bunny Bell, Harold Gilbert.

*I t sure has been nice all these years. I'm sure
you'll me a success in all you undertake.
Best Wishes for now and always*

Eddie Booth
T. N. T.

Golf



Left to right—Freddy Sexton, Weaver Wren, Slamin Sam Toler, Fred Lee, Rookie Maples, Eddie Booth, Coach Adkins.

Intramurals



Ballet!



A heart-breaker!



Typical action in intramurals.



Where's the ball??



Cheerleaders

Front row—Marland Reid, head cheerleader. Second row, left to right—Edith Anne Johnson, Marie Tyler, Janet Fulcher, Sheila Robbins. Third row, left to right—Gene Arnold, Jim Barksdale.



Majorettes

Left to right—Jean Moore, Jane Edwards, Ann Proctor, Barbara Futch, Kathleen Windham, Doris Ellis, Joyce Thomas. Marjorie Parker—absent when picture was made.



Promoting good will.



Excited?



That's my boy!



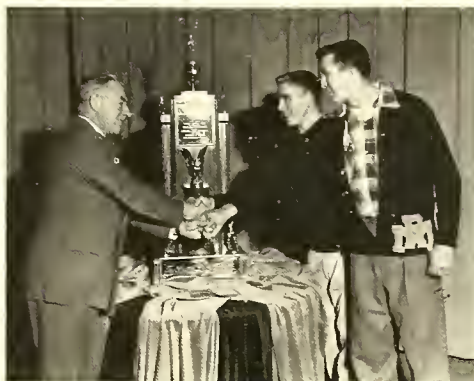
How'd he get in here?



Spero's boys!

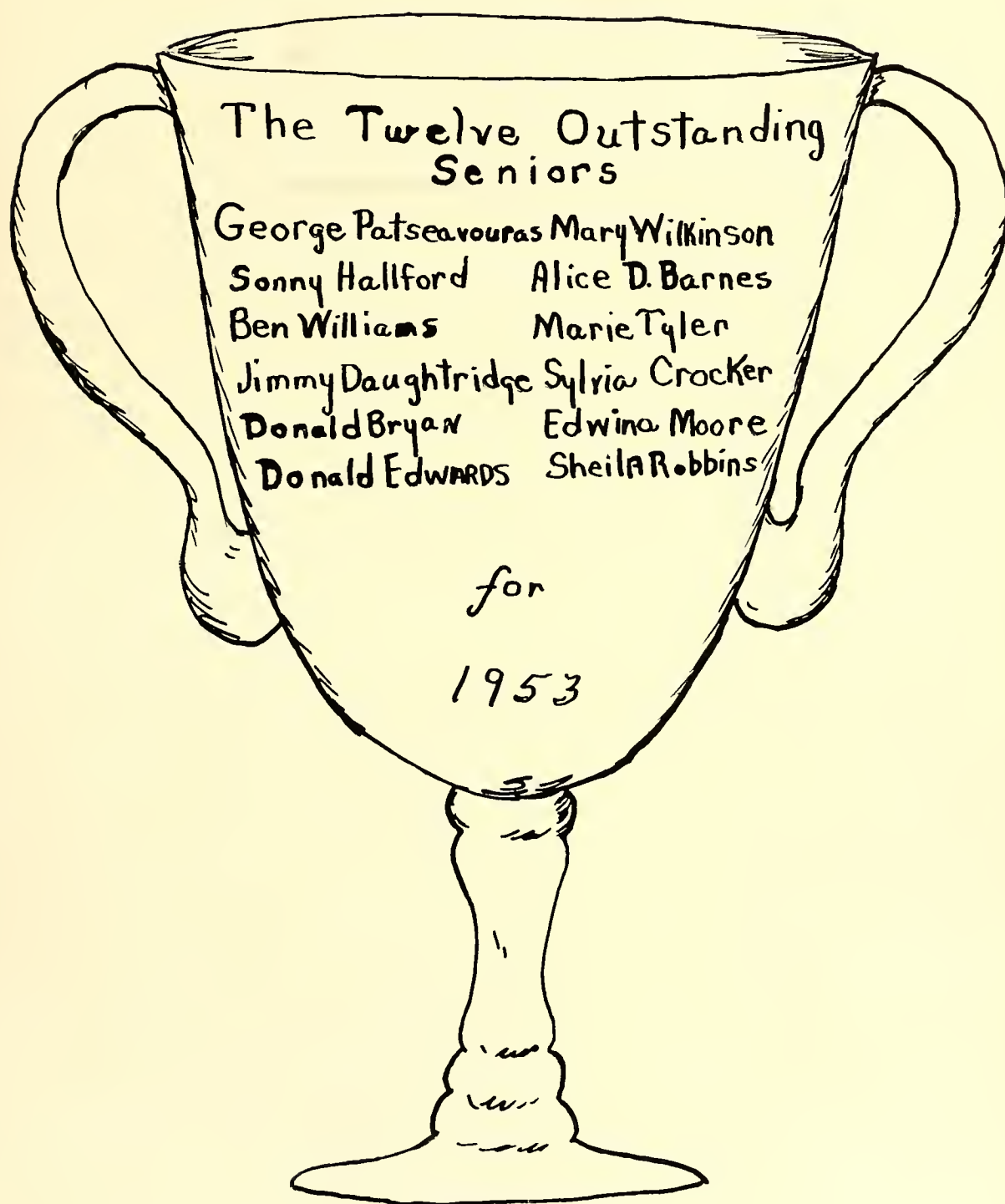


Easy does it, Coach.



It's a nice one!

WE PROUDLY PRESENT



Our
1953 OSCAR WINNERS !



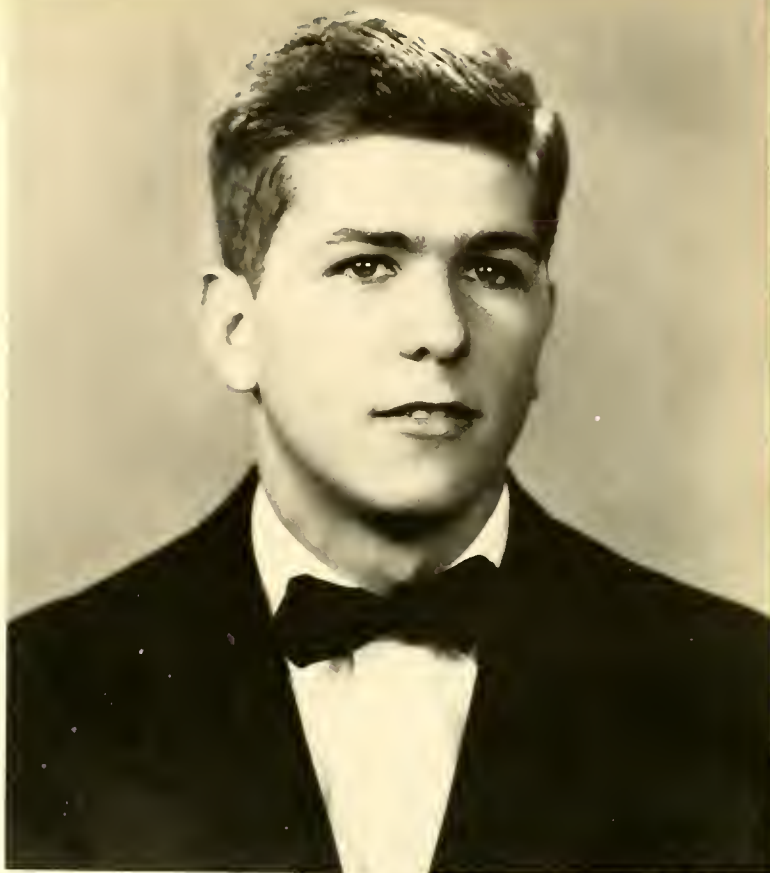
Alice Barnes, Diehl for short, is just the kind of girl you like to have around if there's any work to be done. She's dependable, likeable and fun-loving, but in a dignified sort of way. Diehl is very talented and wants to be a concert pianist. She plans on going to Sweet Briar next year where we know she'll be a definite asset. Fried shrimp and coffee are her favorite foods and her mark of distinction is her little car—Doodlebug.



Donald Bryan is one of those loud-mouthed, funny guys that's present in every crowd. No matter where you find him he'll be talking, and usually about what a girl-killer he is. Seriously, Donald is smart and well liked by everyone. He wants to be a dentist and plans to go to Carolina to continue his education. His favorite food is oysters and you're more likely to find him riding in his Bel Air.

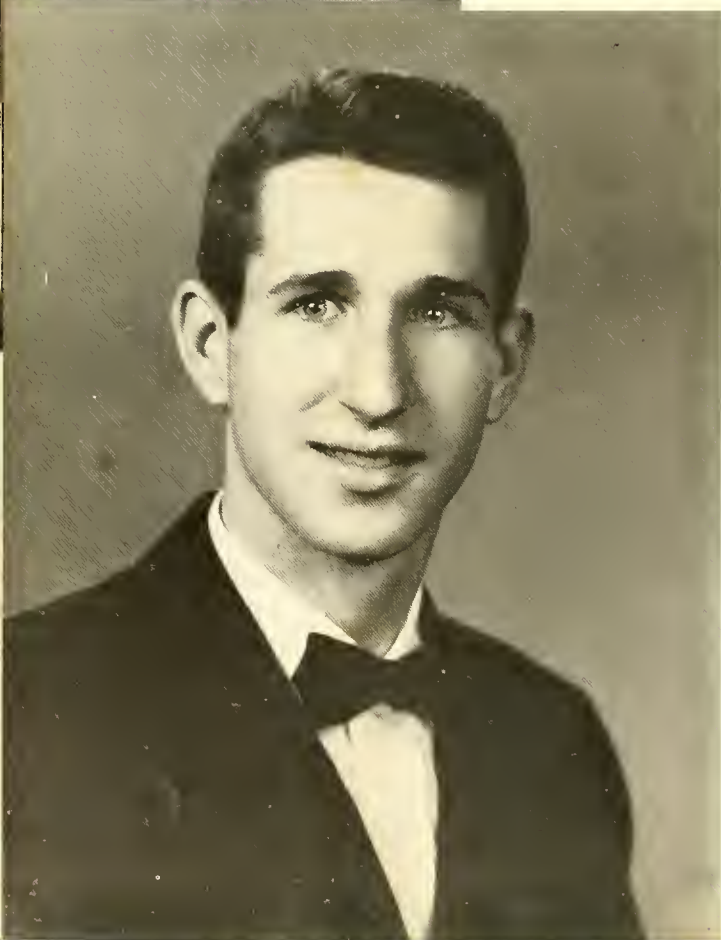


Jimmy Daughtridge is a good all round fellow, excelling in sports of all kinds. Head, as everyone calls him, has that certain something that makes the girls swoon. He is most enthusiastic in everything he undertakes and his activities are many and varied. Head has chosen Wake Forest to further his education and plans on majoring in business administration. Head's weakness, besides girls, that is, is steak.



Sylvia Crocker is our campus beauty, and though they say blondes are dumb—this is one exception. Sylvia not only has looks, but wit, personality and a friendly nature. She enjoys playing tennis and her favorite foods are Hot Dogs and Hamburgers. She plans to grace W. C. with her presence with the teaching profession as her goal.

Edwina Moore is the luckiest of us all—she's married! Edwina has always been a scholar, but you'd never know it just talking to her. She's the kind of person who always keeps her friends in stitches with her dry wit. She's very active in athletics of all kinds and a very good sport. Edwina plans to be a beautician and has already partially completed her training.



Donald Edwards is sometimes called "Don Newk" because of his basketball ability. He is a steady ball player and a real hustler. Donald is rather quiet in class and a diligent worker. He's very interested in his scout work and has many outside activities, one of which is delivering laundry. Donald has not yet decided what he wants to be and it's a toss up between Wake Forest and Duke as to where he'll attend college.



Edward Hallford, known to most people as "Sonny," is quite original and artistic. His ability comes in handy real often when there's a play to be written or a sketch to be drawn. His presence of mind and good common sense endear him to his teachers and his ready wit and pleasing personality endear him to his many friends. Ham sandwiches are his favorite food. The medical profession has called Sonny and he plans to attend Carolina.



Sheila Robbins is known throughout high school for her versatility and display of good sportsmanship. Because of her dependability and fun loving nature, she has acquired honors for herself and her school. We can think of no one more suited for a career as physical therapist than she, because she seems most happy when serving others. In Sheila we present a typical high school girl at her best!





Marie Tyler is just one of those girls everybody loves. She's sweet, quiet and unassuming even though she has received many honors. Did I say quiet? You just ought to hear her when she gets with "the girls." She has loads of personality and she delights in eating onions. She has no particular profession in mind except that of housewife and to prepare her for this she has chosen St. Mary's.



*Willy, this is the end of
our schooling together, but
not, I hope, of our great friendship -
that is the one thing I'll always
 treasure most of all - may you have
the best of everything -
Buckie
T.B.*



It's George Patseavouras in student organization, Buck on the basketball court, and Jerry Lewis on rare occasions—and he's great as all three! His ready wit and good nature have won many friends for him through the years. Buck is intelligent and a hard worker. He plans to join many of his friends at Carolina next year but so far he hasn't decided what his life work will be. His favorite dishes are most anything with a Greek touch!





Ben Williams is quiet and reserved with a pleasing manner that appeals to everyone. He is very outstanding in his church work, filling in often at the pulpit. This experience has given him poise and clarity of speaking which will help him towards his career in the ministry. To help prepare him for this chosen work Ben has selected Davidson. We hope they cook good butterbeans, because that's Ben's favorite!



Mary Wilkinson is one of the most outstanding citizens of our town. She is very active in every phase of school activity and a pillar of her church. Mary is a straight A student and the life of every party. She is blessed with a beautiful voice but she sometimes murders songs by pulling her "Minnie Pearl" act. Mary is friendly, easy going, capable and dependable. She loves to eat so well, she doesn't know what is best. She could easily excel in any field, but as of now hasn't decided what she wants to do or where she wants to go—but it might be W.C.



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Highlights



R.M.H.S. cheerleaders get things under way.

Wilson cheerleaders display their good spirit.

Members of both schools get acquainted at the Good Sports Club's luncheon.

Eddie, do you really feel that way about the parade?

Cheerleaders with their advisor—Mr. Fountain.



WHO'S WHO



IN

Mary Wilkinson, our Student Government President, was chosen by the Student Body as the best citizen in Rocky Mount High School, thereby becoming the D.A.R. Pilgrim.

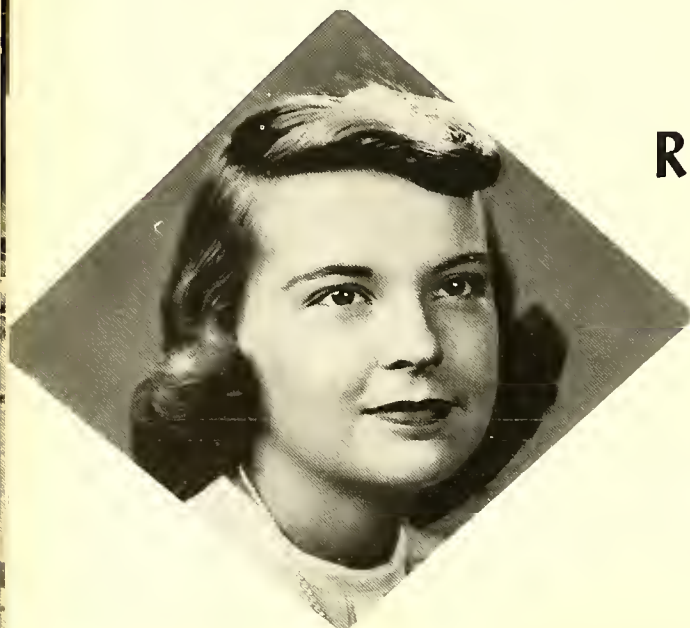
Bobby Savage brought a great honor to our community by being elected as a delegate to represent 5 Southern States to meet President Eisenhower.



Our 1952-'53 Campus Sweetheart—Miss Sylvia Crocker

Chosen to represent R.M.H.S. as a princess in the 1953 Azalea Festival in Wilmington, N.C., was Miss Sally Adams.


The students of R.M.H.S. elected by penny votes Miss Lillian Daughtridge as 1952-'53 "Miss Print."



R M H S



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1. The boss pours punch!
 2. There'll be aches and pains tomorrow!
 3. Sallie and Beryl play traffic cop!
 4. Strike up the band!
 5. Hit high C!
 6. You do it this way!
 7. Save some for me!
 8. Time's up!
 9. Hurrah for our side!
 10. 11 equals 3.14!
 11. On stage everybody!
 12. "Hopalong" makes it, too!

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Anita Williamson and Clay Daughtridge—Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Awards



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Billy Cooper—winner of \$4,000.00 Scholarship to Union College, Schenectady, N. Y.



Tommy Slater — Winner of \$3,400.00 Scholarship to Colgate University



Grace Daniels—Exchange Club \$100.00 Scholarship Award



Albert Radil—Kiwanis Club \$200.00 Scholarship Award



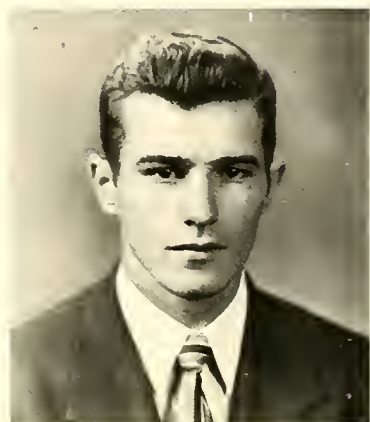
Sylvia Pullen—Planters Bank's Braswell Memorial \$200.00 Scholarship Award



Johnny Johnson — Elected to represent the Southeastern United States at the Annual Convention of the Junior Red Cross

Kay Finch—Pilot Club—\$100.00 Scholarship Award and winner of State American Legion Speech Contest

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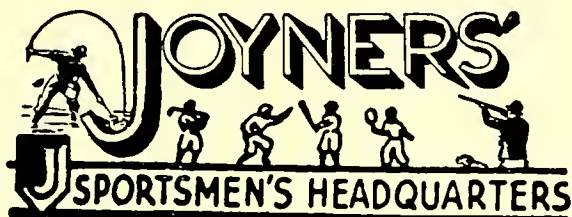
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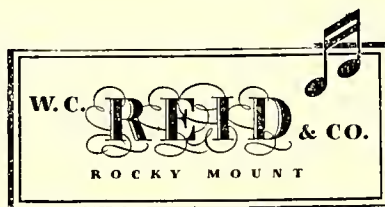
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to you always.
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We are proud that you selected our studio again to take the portraits for the Hi-Noc-Ar. Every year we look forward to this pleasant task.

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*Wilson,
You just don't
know how much these
years mean to me. You
really are one of the
best friends I've ever
had. I hope life treats you
well
Love,
Nancy Parry*

*Best of luck to
a sweet 2
All*

Best of luck
to a swell guy.
you sure did work
hard to make us a
great senior class.
Freehler
T.M.T.

I wish you the best of
everything cause you really
deserve it. Best of luck
always to one of the finest
guys.
Bob
E.A.A.

Wilson,
I really enjoyed
being in this class.
I was glad to be in
company of him with you
in the h. s. figure. You
certainly a fine person
to know. Lots of luck in
the future. Margaret E.

~~Handwritten signature~~
a great guy.
Thank you
for the letter

Wish you success
in college
Francis Collins

Best of everything to
a fine boy. It's been
nice knowing you & I
hope you have a big
future (I know you will)

Nancy H.
E.A.A.

Good luck in college
as a fine person
know you will be a
success.

Handwritten signature

My dear

When you're in tennis - I'm gonna
beat you in tennis yet, if possible.
Besides that you blow cool tomatoes
with all the scholarships you're really
on the ball. I don't think I'll ever
know a smarter or a nicer guy. You're
right on top. I'll miss you.

T. J. O'Fallon

Wilson,

Been swell knowing such
a fine boy. Best of success
to a fellow "prisoner".

Robert Harris

72 1/2 yrs
and a good
many. Robert Harris

Wilson, been
It has been
well knowing you so well
living across the street from
you. You were always real
among the highest in my book.

Always,
The Harris

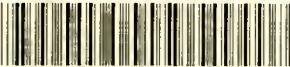


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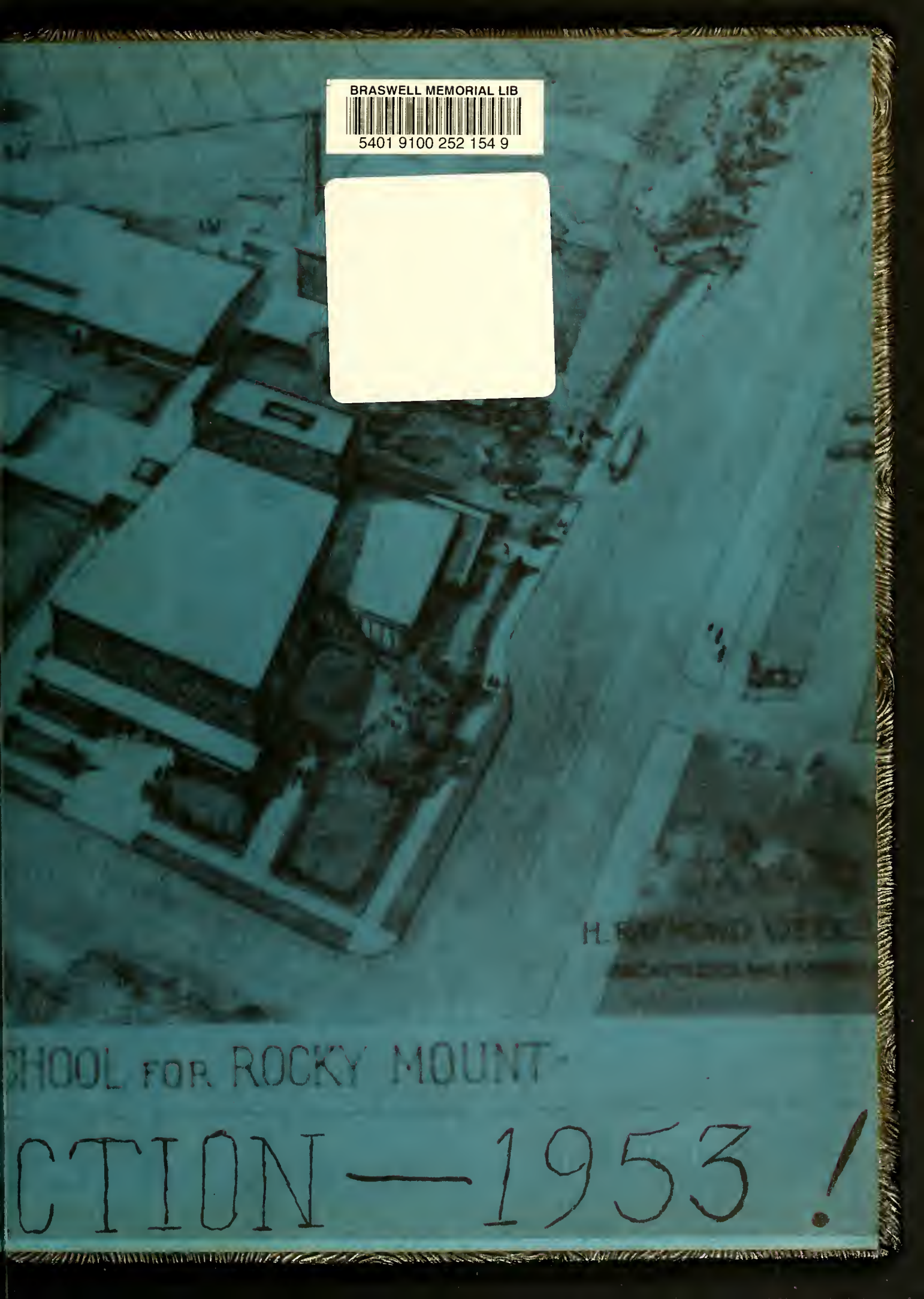
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